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STATISTICS OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA.

I.—POPULATION AND VITAL STATISTICS.

Population of Metropolitan Area, Estimate, 31st December, 1931, Males, 105,925 ; Females, 105,915 ; Total, 211,840.

No. 1.—Population of Western Australia (exclusive of full-blood Aborigines*) from 1921.

Period.	Estimated Population on last day of period.			Increase during period.	Masculinity.†	Mean Population.
	Males.	Females.	Total.			
1921	178,500	157,215	335,715	4,392	6·34	338,782
1926	203,210	175,536	378,746	6,563	7·31	374,997
1927	211,623	180,664	392,292	13,546	7·80	385,011
1928	220,209	185,664	405,873	13,581	8·51	399,082
1929	225,861	190,902	416,763	10,890	8·39	411,318
1930	226,713	193,893	420,606	3,843	7·80	418,627
First Quarter, 1931	225,850	194,274	420,124	† 482	7·52	420,365
Second Quarter, 1931	225,625	194,991	420,616	492	7·28	420,370
Third Quarter, 1931	225,682	195,714	421,396	780	7·11	421,006
October, 1931	225,721	195,864	421,585	189	7·08	421,490
November, 1931	225,789	195,957	421,746	161	7·08	421,665
December, 1931	225,600	195,867	421,467	† 279	7·05	421,606
Fourth Quarter, 1931	225,600	195,867	421,467	71	7·05	421,431

* Estimated Full-blood Aboriginal Population in the State on 30th June, 1930 : 23,117.

† Decrease.

§ Number of Males over Females in each 100 of total population.

No. 2.—Arrivals in and Departures* from Western Australia from 1921.

Period.	Arrivals.			Departures.*			Excess of Arrivals over Departures.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
1921	17,455	11,878	29,333	17,629	11,639	29,268	† 174	239	65
1926	19,093	11,639	30,732	17,654	11,466	29,120	1,439	178	1,612
1927	22,463	12,812	35,275	16,296	10,522	26,818	6,167	2,290	8,487
1928	22,781	13,258	36,039	16,464	11,058	27,522	6,317	2,200	8,517
1929	19,903	12,944	32,847	16,327	10,751	27,078	3,576	2,193	5,769
1930	13,012	9,445	22,457	14,639	9,401	24,040	† 1,627	44	† 1,583
First Quarter, 1931	2,496	1,861	4,357	3,959	2,241	6,200	† 1,463	† 380	† 1,843
Second Quarter, 1931	2,172	1,449	3,621	2,933	1,529	4,462	† 761	† 80	† 841
Third Quarter, 1931	1,708	1,078	2,786	2,118	1,072	3,190	† 410	6	† 404
October, 1931	797	481	1,278	932	577	1,509	† 135	† 96	† 231
November, 1931	805	518	1,323	908	607	1,515	† 103	† 89	† 192
December, 1931	946	858	1,804	1,226	1,028	2,254	† 280	† 170	† 450
Fourth Quarter, 1931	2,548	1,857	4,405	3,066	2,212	5,278	† 518	† 355	† 873

* Including allowance for unrecorded departures.

† Excess of departures over arrivals.

No. 3.—Assisted and Nominated Immigration from 1921.

Period.	Adults (12 years and upwards).			Children under 12 years of age.			Total.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Males.	Females.	Total.
1921 a	1,833	887	2,720	349	312	661	2,182	1,199	3,381
1926	2,051	1,108	3,159	481	339	870	2,532	1,497	4,029
1927	2,501	1,437	3,938	533	438	971	3,034	1,875	4,909
1928	2,612	1,185	3,767	407	346	753	3,019	1,501	4,520
1929	1,656	905	2,561	247	198	445	1,903	1,103	3,006
1930	184	164	348	72	39	111	256	203	459
1931, First Quarter	2	7	9	10	7	17	12	14	26
1931, Second Quarter	1	4	5	9	8	17	10	12	22
1931, Third Quarter	4	3	7	13	8	21	17	11	28
1931, Fourth Quarter	...	2	2	17	4	21	17	6	23

a Including Immigrants under the Ex-Service Scheme.

No. 4.—Number of Marriages, Births, and Deaths registered in Western Australia from 1921.

Period.	Marri-ages Registered.	Births Registered.			Deaths Registered.			Excess of Births over Deaths.	Annual Birth, Death, and Marriage Rate per 1,000 of Mean Population.		
		M.	F.	Total.	M.	F.	Total.		Birth Rate.	Death Rate.	Marri-age Rate.
1921	2,656	3,988	3,819	7,807	2,209	1,271	3,480	4,327	23·39	10·43	7·96
1926	2,844	4,306	3,995	8,301	2,131	1,219	3,350	4,951	22·14	8·93	7·58
1927	3,107	4,366	4,116	8,482	2,115	1,278	3,393	5,088	22·03	8·81	8·07
1928	3,309	4,493	4,211	8,704	2,229	1,411	3,640	5,064	21·81	9·12	8·29
1929	3,367	4,548	4,503	9,051	2,472	1,458	3,930	5,121	22·00	9·55	8·19
1930	3,205	4,827	4,373	9,200	2,348	1,426	3,774	5,426	21·98	9·02	7·66
First Quarter, 1931 ...	707	1,147	1,040	2,187	547	279	826	1,361	21·10	7·97	6·82
Second Quarter, 1931	701	1,139	1,115	2,254	603	318	921	1,333	21·51	8·79	6·69
Third Quarter, 1931	618	1,058	1,025	2,083	591	308	899	1,184	19·63	8·45	5·82
October, 1931 ...	233	365	351	716	191	105	296	420	20·00	8·27	6·51
November, 1931 ...	232	360	292	652	189	110	299	353	18·81	8·63	6·69
December, 1931 ...	241	364	285	649	273	205	478	171	18·12	13·35	6·73
Fourth Quarter, 1931	706	1,089	928	2,017	653	420	1,073	944	18·99	10·10	6·65

II.—CENSUS OF 1921.

NOTE.—All figures are exclusive of full-blood aborigines.

No. 5.—Summary of Populations of Local Government Areas in Western Australia on 4th April, 1921.

Local Government Areas.	Population.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.
Municipalities—			
Metropolitan	59,284	64,380	123,664
Other	21,291	21,280	42,571
Total	80,575	85,660	166,235
Road Districts	92,502	68,805	161,307
Migratory †	4,201	989	5,190
Total for the State	177,278	155,454	332,732
Census. 3-4-11 ... , ,	161,565	120,549	282,114

† Includes Half-Caste Aboriginals, Railway Travellers, and Shipping.

III.—FINANCE.

No. 6.—State Revenue, July to December, 1931.

Particulars.	3 mths. ended 30th Sept. 1931.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Particulars.	3 mths. ended 30th Sept., 1931.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
GOVERNMENTAL TAXATION.	£	£	£	£	PUBLIC UTILITIES.	£	£	£	£
Land Tax	31,094	5,619	4,238	7,124	Aborig. Cattle Stns.	353	60	66	276
Income Tax ...	60,267	13,629	11,210	8,229	Bunbury Harb. Bd.	2,250	500	2,000	750
Dividend Duty ...	26,063	4,498	4,908	16,648	Fmtle. Harb. Trust	35,989	15,330	20,330	20,330
Totalisator Tax ...	10,347	4,039	3,380	3,623	Goldf. Wtr. Supply	24,624	10,584	10,748	9,481
Stamp Duty ...	37,933	14,839	13,679	26,227	Kalgoorlie Ab'to'rs	973	270	596	325
Probate Duty ...	11,477	2,613	3,920	4,135	Met. Ab'to'rs and Saleyards ...	10,158	4,302	3,477	2,882
Licenses ...	11,193	605	2,344	24,819	Met. Markets ...	...	...	...	1,165
Amusements Tax ...	16,566	5,969	4,582	3,509	Met. Water Supply and Sewerage ...	74,240	32,819	50,002	29,081
Other Taxation ...	7,093	Dr. 57	35	2	Other Hydr. Undertakings ...	9,995	3,495	3,566	2,867
Total	212,033	51,754	47,946	94,316	Perth City M'kts.	289	94	113	89
TERRITORIAL.					Railways ...	631,701	218,851	190,085	257,107
Land Revenue ...	56,464	5,712	40,053	4,173	Tramways ...	70,742	23,486	23,515	24,909
Mining Revenue ...	3,133	898	995	617	Electricity Supply	72,410	22,401	20,992	22,333
Timber Revenue ...	15,642	4,376	4,248	4,364	State Batteries ...	12,055	4,366	6,174	6,344
Total	75,239	10,986	45,296	9,154	Cave Houses, etc. ...	408	401	425	727
Law Courts ...	12,793	4,423	4,236	4,416	STATE TRADING CONCERNs.				
Dept. Re-imbursement Fees, etc. ...	269,696	40,332	22,354	357,571	Balances transferred	500	...	...	750
Royal Mint ...	3,685	1,200	1,400	2,325	Recoup of Dep'tn'l Charges, etc.	...	193	103	43
COMMONWEALTH.					Total	946,880	337,012	332,132	422,187
States, Grants Act Interest Contributions	75,000	25,000	25,000	25,000					
Total	193,359	64,453	64,453	64,453					
Total, Governmental ...	766,805	173,148	185,685	532,235	GRAND TOTAL ...	1,713,685	510,160	517,817	954,422

No. 7.—State Expenditure, July, to December, 1931.

Particulars.	3 mths. ended 30th Sept., 1931.			Oct.	Nov.	Dec.		Particulars.	3 mths. ended 30th Sept. 1931.			Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
	£	£	£						£	£	£			
ESTABLISHMENTS.														
H.E. the Governor	374	134	110	98										
Legislative Council	207	121	108	139										
Legislative Assembly	554	228	166	179										
House Committee ...	1,170	389	291	314										
Printing Committee	929	430	279	305										
Library Committee	77	22	25	27										
Total ...	3,311	1,324	979	1,062										
Departments.														
Premier's Office ...	1,976	891	724	2,210										
London Agency ...	1,962	656	633	684										
P.S. Commissioner	515	237	157	167										
Motor Cars ...	1,028	407	289	401										
Printing ...	11,012	4,462	3,395	4,469										
Tourist and Publicity ...	319	162	99	130										
Literary and Scientific ...	2,133	720	713	738										
Treasury ...	3,595	1,801	1,309	1,292										
Audit ...	2,520	1,259	819	898										
Allowances ...	645	640	2,500	1,125										
Stores ...	2,856	1,149	686	968										
Taxation ...	7,502	2,500	2,500	2,500										
Miscellaneous	156,383	24,077	22,921	68,521										
Group Settlements	6	...	...	...							
Forests	3,307	1,515	1,045	1,834										
Lands and Surveys	12,470	6,374	3,910	4,053										
Immigration	594	241	162	162										
Town Planning	257	118	76	76										
Crown Law ...	15,194	7,232	4,802	4,444										
Arbitration	797	385	350	465										
Public Works and Buildings	4,497	2,773	2,920	1,489										
Labour	875	393	287	271										
Chief Secretary	3,048	1,001	1,010	1,009										
Aborigines	...	...	...	517										
Fisheries	814	360	251	241										
Friendly Societies and Registry	2,472	839	575	604										
Gaols	6,085	2,337	2,048	1,820										
Harbour and Light and Jetties	4,166	1,636	1,369	1,169										
Lunacy	19,586	7,173	5,941	8,537										
Observatory	323	160	107	104										
Education	139,509	44,994	42,165	43,725										
Mines	24,733	13,109	9,069	Cr. 1,244										
Council of Industrial Development	203	103	68	68										
Labour Bureau	364	162	117	120										
Medical	12,586	4,527	4,112	3,610										
Public Health	8,846	2,529	1,904	2,010										
Agriculture	12,053	5,283	4,388	4,426										
College of Agriculture	1,846	663	594	513										
Police	47,762	21,026	14,746	14,035										
Child Welfare and Outdoor Relief	214,296	82,399	87,743	51,833										
Farmers' Debts Adj.	...	256	641	161										
Total ...	728,475	246,549	277,143	230,155										
	GRAND TOTAL ...	2,336,288	781,837	801,038										

No. 8.—Net Loan Expenditure on Public Works, etc., from 1872.

(Table constructed on the basis of the figures published by the Treasury under the heading, "Actual Cash Spent.")

Year ended 30th June.	Railways, Tramways, and Electric Power Station.	Telegraphs.	Harbours, Rivers, and Bridges.	Roads, Bridges.	Public Buildings.	Water Supply and Sewerage, etc.	Development of Goldfields and Mineral Resources.	Development of Agriculture.	Immigration.	Miscellaneous.	Total.
To 1926	£ 22,012,984	£ 332,293	£ 4,682,963	£ 726,652	£ 1,174,849	£ 7,375,409	£ 2,120,497	£ 19,727,281	£ 461,655	£ 2,359,135	£ 60,973,718
1927	779,421	...	191,187	184,912	117,483	441,845	87,598	1,873,143	11,203	293,409	3,980,201
1928	951,446	...	251,645	364,223	126,512	581,797	81,915	1,697,906	10,072	589,094	4,654,610
1929	883,530	...	274,000	384,085	92,335	576,215	79,752	1,835,435	11,887	234,352	4,372,269
1930	893,713	...	263,254	315,325	54,140	338,890	92,219	1,691,013	7,182	37,306	3,603,051
1931	475,234	...	133,706	...	...	239,340	29,077	875,771	1,063	5,072	1,759,263
Total	25,996,323	332,293	5,796,815	1,975,797	1,565,337	9,553,505	2,491,058	27,700,549	503,062	3,518,368	79,433,112

(a) Including Agricultural Bank, Land Settlement for Soldiers, and Agricultural Group Settlement. (b) Including the following State Business Undertakings: Steamships, Ferries, Milk Supply, Saw Mills, Brickyards, Implement Works, Hotels, Workers' Homes, Quarries, Fish Supply, Freezing Works, etc.

No. 9.—Summary of State Revenue, 1st July, 1921, to 31st December, 1931.

Period.	Collected by the State.					From Commonwealth Funds.	Total State Revenue.	Mean Population.	Revenue Per head of Population.				
	Taxation.	Land, Timber, and Mining.	Business Concerns.		Other Sources.								
			Railways and Tramways.	Other.									
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	No.	£				
1921-22 ...	881,159	435,188	3,054,259	991,079	961,655	583,767	6,907,107	336,421	20.531				
1926-27 ...	1,211,343	550,912	3,869,300	1,268,666	1,697,480	1,153,132	9,750,833	379,266	25.709				
1927-28 ...	1,296,358	611,121	4,154,737	1,267,142	1,669,530	809,061	9,807,949	392,155	25.010				
1928-29 ...	1,370,039	514,483	4,127,939	1,400,343	1,723,701	811,446	9,947,951	405,731	24.519				
1929-30 ...	1,452,793	474,863	3,981,994	1,429,519	1,637,914	773,432	9,750,515	415,900	23.444				
1930-31 ...	1,134,386	338,759	3,425,220	1,308,274	1,706,685	773,432	8,686,756	420,012	20.632				
July to Dec., 1931 ...	406,049	140,675	1,440,396	597,815	724,431	386,718	3,696,084	421,269	8.774				

No. 10.—Summary of State Expenditure, from 1st July, 1921, to 31st December, 1931.

Period.	Interest and Sinking Funds, Public Debt.	Business Concerns.		Education.	All other.	Total State Expenditure.	Per head of Population.
		Lands, Surveys, Forests, and Mines.	Railways and Tramways.				
		£	£				
1921-22 ...	2,437,371	232,018	2,553,124	519,428	571,926	1,325,375	7,639,242
1926-27 ...	3,295,038	268,524	2,929,485	559,759	668,561	2,001,221	9,722,588
1927-28 ...	3,178,984	284,268	3,166,409	577,377	697,636	1,929,691	8,834,415
1928-29 ...	3,335,709	269,480	3,357,041	506,995	709,019	1,955,675	10,223,919
1929-30 ...	3,445,302	287,258	3,420,843	626,692	723,672	1,764,751	10,268,518
1930-31 ...	3,621,802	208,401	2,784,661	563,120	704,202	2,225,309	10,107,295
July to Dec., 1931 ...	1,761,830	90,469	1,166,101	252,171	282,795	1,222,895	4,776,261

No. 11.—Public Debt, 1922 to 1931; also Indebtedness per head of Estimated Population.

Date.	Amount outstanding.				Average nominal interest payable.	Accrued Sinking Fund on 31st March.	Net Indebtedness (Approximate).	
	Debentures.	Inscribed Stock.	Treasury Bills and Bonds, etc.	Total.			Amount.	Per head of Population.
	£	£	£	£	%	£	£	£
30th June—1922	1,280,910	40,837,171	12,841,697	54,959,778	4.20	8,370,160	46,589,618	137.005
1927	6,439,915	52,059,218	12,107,042	70,606,175	4.52	8,756,936	61,849,239	160.629
1928	6,861,942	57,501,472	12,084,350	76,427,764	4.52	8,899,080	67,528,684	163.948
1929	6,374,025	48,755,628	14,225,796	*69,355,449	4.56	+91,276	68,384,173	166.040
1930	10,436,081	46,662,767	14,095,477	71,194,325	4.60	+1,040,463	70,153,862	167.574
1931	11,916,869	42,643,667	22,004,349	76,564,885	4.55	+1,310,369	75,284,416	178.914

* Reduction of Public Debt is due to cancellation of Western Australian Stocks held by Sinking Fund Trustees in accordance with Financial Agreement Act. † As on 30th June.

No. 12.—Transactions of Commonwealth Savings Bank in Western Australia from 1st July, 1921.

Period.	* Amount deposited during period.	* Amount withdrawn during period.	Excess of Deposits over Withdrawals.	Interest.	Number of Accounts.			Due to Depositors at end of period.	Average to credit of each account.	Average per head of population.
					Opened.	Closed.	Remaining open.			
					No.	No.	No.			
1921-22 ...	2,032,150	1,868,326	163,833	59,561	9,812	5,734	57,261	1,961,865	34,262	5.760
1925-1926 ...	2,522,246	2,319,268	202,978	77,478	12,441	7,198	77,982	2,541,829	32.595	6.775
1926-1927 ...	2,750,595	2,582,342	177,253	83,629	13,341	7,637	83,836	2,728,867	32.608	7.098
1927-1928 ...	2,947,947	2,798,494	149,453	90,099	13,385	7,610	89,461	2,949,438	32.969	7.379
1928-1929 ...	3,209,745	3,063,634	146,111	107,383	23,479	17,050	95,890	3,214,231	33.520	7.807
1929-1930 ...	3,178,079	3,260,194	182,115	117,812	15,539	10,028	101,401	3,240,252	31.955	7.740
1930-1931 ...	2,451,230	2,973,161	521,931	107,556	11,229	11,724	100,906	2,788,373	27.633	6.629
Sept. Qr., 1931	793,280	586,887	206,893	†279	3,975	2,654	102,227	2,989,659	29.245	7.095

* Exclusive of transfers from and to other States of the Commonwealth. † Interest on accounts closed during period. ‡ Excess of withdrawals over deposits.

No. 13.—Transactions of the State Savings Bank from 1921.

Period.	Amount deposited.	Amount withdrawn.	Interest.	Number of Accounts.			Due to Depositors.	Average per Account.	*Average per head of population.
				Opened.	Closed.	Remaining open.			
1921-22 ...	£ 5,276,218	£ 5,571,830	£ 186,683	No. 17,836	No. 13,914	No. 141,844	£ 5,736,319	£ 40.441	£ 17.048
1926-27 ...	£ 7,057,817	£ 6,742,398	£ 219,128	25,072	15,506	176,829	£ 6,881,260	£ 38.959	£ 18.119
1927-28 ...	£ 7,972,142	£ 7,491,095	£ 243,808	29,518	17,184	188,963	£ 7,606,115	£ 40.250	£ 19.254
1928-29 ...	£ 8,932,830	£ 8,526,572	£ 200,551	30,741	19,373	200,331	£ 8,302,925	£ 41.446	£ 20.389
1929-30 ...	£ 8,541,414	£ 8,765,702	£ 317,056	28,002	18,731	209,602	£ 8,394,692	£ 40.051	£ 20.276
1930-31 ...	£ 7,184,793	£ 7,904,558	£ 317,402	24,009	20,544	213,067	£ 7,992,329	£ 37.511	£ 19.208
4 months ended 31st October, 1931 b	£ 1,950,624	£ 2,773,152	£ 5,076	5,410	8,571	209,906	£ 7,175,476	£ 34.184	£ 17.221

§ SCHOOLS SAVINGS BANK.									
1921-22 ...	33,598	27,036	1,481	6,859	3,822	38,400	61,133	1.592	**1.214
1926-27 ...	£ 37,455	£ 36,660	2,102	5,622	4,069	48,861	84,269	1.725	**1.581
1927-28 ...	£ 41,447	£ 39,189	2,293	7,247	4,248	51,860	89,820	1.732	**1.698
1928-29 ...	£ 43,093	£ 43,544	2,066	6,161	4,196	53,825	92,035	1.710	**1.727
1929-30 ...	£ 41,045	£ 42,192	2,785	6,831	3,994	56,662	93,673	1.653	**1.711
1930-31 ...	£ 32,875	£ 42,579	2,751	4,801	3,774	57,689	86,720	1.503	**1.527
4 months ended 31st October, 1931 b	£ 9,935	£ 13,983	†9	1,188	1,436	57,441	a 82,681	1.439	**1.432

* Including Schools Savings Bank Deposits. † Interest on those accounts only which were closed during the period.

§ Worked in connection with State Savings Bank.

** Per head of number of school children on the Roll.

a Exclusive of Accrued interest from 1st July, 1931.

b Subsequently taken over by the Commonwealth Bank.

No. 14.—Averages from 1921 of the Weekly Statements of Liabilities and Assets of the Cheque-paying Banks (formerly Banks of Issue) operating in Western Australia.

Weekly average clearance, Perth Banks, during the quarter ended December, 1931 was £1,377,888 as compared with £1,483,698 during December Quarter of 1930.

Period.	No. of Banks.	Liabilities.							Total Average Liabilities	
		Notes in Circulation.	Bills in Circulation.	Balances due to other Banks.	Deposits.					
					Not bearing Interest.	Bearing Interest.	Total.			
1921	9	£ 26,353	£ 187,829	£ 321,907	£ 6,092,087	£ 5,909,691	£ 12,001,778	£ 12,537,387		
1926	12	£ 25,278	£ 161,844	£ 558,707	£ 6,408,958	£ 8,019,494	£ 14,428,452	£ 15,174,281		
1927	10†	£ 25,247	£ 168,475	£ 923,502	£ 6,222,436	£ 8,527,332	£ 14,749,768	£ 15,866,992		
1928	10	£ 25,240	£ 198,547	£ 1,229,824	£ 6,721,806	£ 7,953,497	£ 14,675,303	£ 16,128,914		
1929	10	£ 25,233	£ 229,901	£ 727,880	£ 6,530,912	£ 6,854,845	£ 13,385,757	£ 14,368,771		
1930	10	£ 25,200	£ 188,365	£ 1,013,675	£ 5,242,098	£ 6,980,552	£ 12,222,650	£ 13,449,890		
1931, First Quarter ...	10	£ 25,186	£ 175,807	£ 1,731,276	£ 5,287,017	£ 7,218,613	£ 12,505,630	£ 14,437,899		
1931, Second Quarter ...	10	£ 25,183	£ 157,196	£ 1,603,162	£ 5,130,203	£ 7,636,697	£ 12,766,697	£ 14,552,441		
1931, Third Quarter ...	10	£ 25,181	£ 124,612	£ 1,707,948	£ 4,971,292	£ 7,783,191	£ 12,754,483	£ 14,612,224		
1931, Fourth Quarter ...	10	£ 25,180	£ 151,040	£ 1,802,614	£ 5,711,381	£ 8,349,928	£ 14,061,309	£ 16,040,143		

Period.	Assets.							Total Average Assets	
	Cioned Gold, Silver, and other Metals.	Gold and Silver in Bullion and Bars.	Government, Municipal, and Public Securities.	Landed Property and Bank Premises.	Australian Notes.	Notes and Bills of other Banks.	Balances due from other Banks.		
1921 ...	£ 1,418,827	£ 170,171	£ 799,417	£ 235,588	£ 1,984,106	£ 143,385	£ 676,357	£ 10,916,295	£ 16,344,146
1926 ...	£ 2,362,369	£ 138,195	£ 968,610	£ 416,469	*£ 2,135,193	£ 225,979	£ 290,957	£ 13,813,918	£ 20,351,720
1927 ...	£ 1,599,784	£ 123,919	£ 2,001,544	£ 477,712	£ 2,277,413	£ 203,594	£ 323,017	£ 15,155,733	£ 22,167,716
1928 ...	£ 1,465,906	£ 119,271	£ 1,244,084	£ 452,077	£ 2,584,306	£ 159,052	£ 126,121	£ 15,754,295	£ 21,785,112
1929 ...	£ 1,081,072	£ 108,217	£ 815,045	£ 525,340	£ 2,021,457	£ 121,387	£ 110,429	£ 19,382,658	£ 24,165,605
1930 ...	£ 429,486	£ 121,483	£ 2,028,901	£ 626,428	£ 2,440,610	£ 91,077	£ 84,302	£ 21,090,473	£ 26,912,760
1931, 1st Qr.	£ 248,616	£ 116,312	£ 1,250,601	£ 676,253	£ 3,211,906	£ 87,367	£ 73,198	£ 21,201,543	£ 26,865,596
1931, 2nd Qr.	£ 195,810	£ 159,840	£ 1,057,673	£ 682,625	£ 3,090,319	£ 69,757	£ 69,982	£ 20,972,789	£ 26,298,800
1931, 3rd Qr.	£ 194,410	£ 171,816	£ 1,352,462	£ 693,671	£ 3,304,294	£ 60,651	£ 64,227	£ 21,428,529	£ 27,270,060
1931, 4th Qr.	£ 188,753	£ 210,616	£ 1,601,651	£ 695,182	£ 3,460,215	£ 68,249	£ 235,440	£ 21,725,945	£ 28,186,051

* From 1926 including cash with Commonwealth Bank, New South Wales Bank and Western Australian Bank amalgamated 20th March, 1927, and the English, Scottish and Australian Bank and the Royal Bank of Australia amalgamated on 1st April, 1927.

IV.—SHIPPING.

No. 15.—Number and Net Tonnage of Vessels (including Vessels trading only within the State and Vessels calling at more than one Port) entered and cleared at each Western Australian Port during the Three Months ended 30th September, 1931.

ENTERED.

Ports.	Oversea.				Inter-State.				Local Vessels trading within the State,		Total.	
	Via Ports within the State,		From Ports outside the State,		Via Ports within the State,		From Ports outside the State,					
	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.		
Fremantle	6	17,129	64	343,046	9	38,353	46	251,556	19	30,761	144 680,845	
Albany	...	...	2	18,738	...	...	14	55,442	12	32,109	28 106,289
Broome	2	3,656	2	3,436	1	2,280	...	...	13	26,818	18 36,190
Bunbury	2	7,087	8	30,242	...	...	5	15,515	4	1,760	19 54,604
Busselton	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	5	3,063	5 3,063
Carnarvon	4	8,162	...	...	2	4,560	...	...	21	37,124	27 49,846
Cossack	4	7,092	...	...	2	4,560	...	...	21	29,340	27 40,992
Derby	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Esperance	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1,320	3 1,320
Geraldton	3	10,938	4	10,823	1	2,280	...	...	15	26,606	23 50,647
Onslow	4	7,092	1	2,706	2	4,560	...	...	22	38,388	29 52,746
Port Hedland	4	7,092	...	...	1	2,280	...	...	19	32,700	24 42,072
Wyndham	...	...	1	5,190	...	...	3	11,934	3	6,840	7 23,973

CLEARED.

Ports.	Oversea.				Inter-State.				Local Vessels trading within the State,		Total.	
	Via Ports within the State,		For Ports outside the State,		Via Ports within the State,		For Ports outside the State,					
	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.		
Fremantle	9	24,026	60	317,681	9	36,213	51	280,581	14	18,508	143 677,809	
Albany	...	...	6	20,346	...	9	49,510	13	36,433	28 106,289	
Broome	5	9,276	...	...	1	2,280	...	...	14	24,712	20 36,268
Bunbury	1	5,369	10	34,762	...	...	2	6,579	6	6,886	19 53,596
Busselton	...	...	...	...	...	...	1	1,303	4	1,760	5 3,063
Carnarvon	6	11,982	...	...	1	2,280	...	...	21	37,384	28 51,646
Cossack	5	9,276	...	...	1	2,280	1	16	21	31,316	28 42,888
Derby	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Esperance	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	3	1,320	3 1,320
Geraldton	4	11,945	6	16,964	2	5,362	...	...	10	16,760	22 51,031
Onslow	5	10,182	...	...	1	2,280	...	...	23	40,284	29 52,746
Port Hedland	6	11,982	...	...	1	2,280	...	...	17	27,810	24 42,072
Wyndham	...	...	3	14,853	...	...	1	2,280	3	6,840	7 23,973

No. 16.—Number and Net Tonnage of Vessels entered and cleared at Western Australian Ports, from and to Ports outside the State, during the undermentioned Periods.

Year.	Inwards.				Outwards.				Inwards and Outwards.		Tons.	
	Vessels.		Tons.		Vessels.		Tons.					
	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	No.	Tons.	Vessels.	Tons.		
1921-22	877	3,239,392	874	3,231,366	1,751	6,470,758				
1926-27	796	3,783,957	799	3,796,564	1,595	7,560,521				
1927-28	792	3,795,310	812	3,806,078	1,604	7,601,388				
1928-29	783	3,688,802	808	3,674,298	1,591	7,363,100				
1929-30	798	3,955,079	794	3,932,476	1,592	7,887,505				
1930-31	741	3,687,357	742	3,686,229	1,483	7,373,586				
Three months ended 30th Sept., 1931	354	1,142,587	356	1,142,701	710	2,285,288						

V.—CUSTOMS AND EXCISE COLLECTIONS.

No. 17.—Gross Customs, Excise, and other Collections in Western Australia during the undermentioned Periods.

Stations.	Year ended 30th June, 1931.				Six months ended 31st December, 1931.			
	Customs.		Excise.		*Other.		*Total.	
	£	£	£	£	£	£	£	£
Fremantle	1,025,867	629,708	92,627	1,748,202	511,282	309,932	55,404	876,616
Perth	2,163	4,503	2,195	8,861	678	1,879	1,015	3,572
Broome	3,990	...	480	4,470	1,869	...	243	2,112
Bunbury	4,399	...	3,365	7,764	490	...	1,409	1,899
Busselton	93	...	7	100	30	...	7	37
Carnarvon	5,042	...	113	5,155	1,371	11	59	1,441
Derby	511	5	50	566	311	...	23	334
Esperance	...	...	730	730	...	...	...	...
Geraldton	36,772	17,642	5,205	59,619	4,383	8,258	1,633	14,274
Onslow	1,000	...	26	1,026	381	...	27	408
Port Hedland	2,128	9	53	2,190	796	29	23	848
Rossmore	325	5	90	420	405	6	43	454
Wyndham	493	...	8	501	865	39	199	1,103
Total	1,082,783	651,872	104,949	1,839,604	522,861	320,152	60,085	903,098

* Exclusive of Export Duty (£1,197), subsequently refunded.

VI.—TRADE.

No. 18.—Value of Imports into Western Australia during the undermentioned periods, showing origin, and value per head of mean population.

Country of Origin.	1921-22.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.	1930-31.
Great Britain ...	£ 2,823,829	£ 4,265,875	£ 4,079,340	£ 4,054,350	£ 3,837,275	£ 1,538,761
Other States of Commonwealth ...	6,880,037	8,053,194	8,393,412	9,766,744	9,303,034	6,475,922
New Zealand ...	27,187	28,378	81,150	36,089	19,482	7,376
Other British Possessions ...	688,176	1,662,605	1,718,450	1,833,831	1,516,213	1,066,736
Total, British Foreign Countries ...	10,419,229 1,618,550	14,009,852 4,366,211	14,267,358 4,020,275	15,691,014 4,362,758	14,676,004 4,105,652	9,088,795 1,791,059
Grand Total ...	12,037,779	18,376,063	18,287,633	20,053,772	18,781,656	10,879,854
Value of Imports per head of Mean Population ...	35.782	48.450	46.633	49.427	45.159	25.903

No. 19.—Value of Exports from Western Australia during the undermentioned periods, showing destination and value per head of mean population.

Exports to.	1921-22.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.	1930-31.
Great Britain ...	£ 4,869,531	£ 4,514,965	£ 6,020,838	£ 4,518,283	£ 8,856,512	£ 8,881,597
Other States of Commonwealth ...	2,261,247	1,405,086	1,337,000	1,205,493	1,106,621	774,811
New Zealand ...	48,746	135,215	50,773	135,765	109,817	106,004
Other British Possessions ...	4,582,137	2,873,728	3,343,376	4,704,894	3,520,873	2,330,466
Total, British Foreign Countries ...	11,761,661 1,296,586 Ships' Stores ...	8,928,994 5,544,014 570,636	10,751,987 6,887,692 678,951	10,564,435 5,942,365 651,096	13,593,823 3,517,492 658,214	12,095,878 4,383,144 547,632
Grand Total ...	13,628,883	15,151,950	18,240,775	17,185,954	17,769,529	17,026,654
Value of Exports per head of Mean Population ...	40.511	39.949	46.514	42.358	42.725	40.538

No. 20.—Total Value of Imports into, and Exports from, the State of Western Australia, from and to the other States of the Commonwealth during the undermentioned periods.

Origin.	New South Wales.	Victoria.	Queensland.	South Australia.	Tasmania.	Northern Territory.	Total.
IMPORTS—YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1931.							
Australian Oversea ...	£ 2,351,638 124,432	£ 3,170,494 189,025	£ 304,812 1,446	£ 477,346 28,159	£ 115,869 307	£ 46,763 302	£ 6,475,922 343,671
Total ...	2,476,070	3,368,519	306,258	505,505	116,176	47,065	6,819,593
EXPORTS*—YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1931.							
West Australian ...	133,016	161,730	10,462	81,149	4,022	2,323	392,702
Other Australian Oversea ...	48,045 48,863	126,831 76,209	3,102 19,171	31,179 19,342	599 285	5,698 2,785	215,454 166,655
Total ...	229,924	364,770	32,735	131,670	4,906	10,806	774,811
IMPORTS—SIX MONTHS ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1931.							
Australian Oversea ...	1,278,002 66,303	1,715,363 109,284	536,374 2,224	281,781 17,770	83,689 229	25,234 974	3,920,616 196,784
Total ...	1,344,328	1,824,797	538,598	299,551	83,918	26,208	4,117,400
EXPORTS*—SIX MONTHS ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1931.							
West Australian ...	63,753	97,366	8,951	37,647	1,681	2,432	211,830
Other Australian Oversea ...	27,430 56,573	70,431 46,282	1,531 13,775	21,908 16,325	276 1,287	3,499 1,260	134,075 135,511
Total ...	147,756	223,079	24,257	75,880	3,244	7,200	481,416

* Exclusive of Ship's Stores.

No. 21.—Value, according to Classes, of Imports into Western Australia for each of the Five Years ended 30th June, 1927 to 1931 and after.

Class No.	Name of Class.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.	1930-31.	July to December, 1931.
I.	Foostuffs of Animal Origin ...	£ 1,282,864	£ 1,354,535	£ 1,574,235	£ 1,416,945	£ 853,666	£ 281,371
II.	Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin ...	1,963,842	1,891,780	2,104,115	2,279,521	1,155,524	949,887
III.	Spirituos and Alcoholic Liquors ...	279,272	284,900	292,235	275,932	223,704	146,208
IV.	Tobacco and Preparations thereof ...	672,741	714,596	829,600	829,777	683,670	404,475
V.	Live Animals ...	272,900	262,269	282,862	248,853	111,868	68,722
VI.	Animal Substances not Foodstuffs ...	23,405	22,502	34,388	82,729	12,493	5,110
VII.	Vegetable Substances and Fibres ...	157,670	138,880	150,629	139,761	92,586	37,256
VIII.a	Apparel ...	1,507,846	1,595,670	1,730,574	1,713,015	1,359,555	714,988
VIII.b	Textiles ...	1,530,456	1,565,620	1,457,309	1,306,344	861,498	365,779
VIII.c	Manufactured Fibres ...	811,506	878,703	820,244	781,095	655,836	325,750
IX.	Oils, Fats and Waxes ...	1,376,768	1,164,439	1,231,274	1,334,034	791,968	192,394
X.	Paints and Varnishes ...	87,344	94,950	107,948	102,196	69,846	40,270
XI.	Stones and Minerals (including Ores and Concentrates) ...	145,515	131,476	146,380	137,054	96,696	86,538
XII.a	Machines and Machinery ...	1,865,174	1,973,526	1,936,071	1,935,362	816,276	308,395
XII.b	Metal and Metal Manufactures ...	3,020,682	2,923,260	3,529,995	2,584,637	890,805	342,286
XIII.a	Rubber and Rubber Manufactures ...	392,196	467,432	563,008	483,788	228,753	161,563
XIII.b	Leather and Manufactures of Leather ...	111,546	123,097	125,895	97,977	69,890	39,151
XIV.	Wood and Wicker—Raw and Manufactured ...	199,403	243,843	301,885	253,504	103,636	77,457
XV.	Earthenware, Cements, China, Glass and Stoneware ...	177,583	197,511	219,213	217,653	86,898	48,132
XVI.a	Paper ...	197,144	203,985	254,077	217,382	182,275	62,244
XVI.b	Stationery and Paper Manufactures ...	253,453	271,286	335,698	294,165	225,483	115,947
XVII.	Jewellery, Timepieces and Fancy Goods ...	183,869	180,465	211,752	156,706	99,354	60,763
XVIII.	Optical, Surgical and Scientific Instruments ...	150,750	174,385	155,417	158,893	86,367	33,827
XIX.	Drugs, Chemicals and Fertilizers ...	770,106	775,787	1,012,976	994,715	686,082	313,504
XX.	Miscellaneous ...	915,528	652,727	645,992	739,615	614,631	262,219
XXI.	Gold, Silver and Bronze Specie ...	26,500	...	...	3	194	408
	Total, Imports ...	18,376,063	18,287,633	20,053,772	18,781,656	10,879,854	5,444,644

No. 22.—Value of the more important Products of Western Australian Origin exported, including Ships' Stores, and of the total Exports; also the total Production of Coal; during 1921-22, and each of the Five Years ended 30th June, 1927 to 1931 and after.

Articles.	1921-22.	1926-27.	1927-28.	1928-29.	1929-30.	1930-31.	July to December, 1931.
Gold-Specie £	c 2,948,501	735,663	505,494	1,233,476	4,635,803	5,782,662	649,890
Gold, Uncoloured £	d 33,058	367,429	75,287	51,933	11,012	5,834	404,963
Wool { Greasy... { Quantity ... lb.	54,511,980	52,130,709	60,401,951	56,202,277	61,777,499	69,397,449	32,013,681
Wool { Greasy... { Value ... £	2,836,610	3,347,220	4,866,755	3,807,439	2,711,016	2,325,894	1,092,815
Wool { Scoured { Quantity ... lb.	4,180,523	1,636,846	843,030	844,657	1,024,994	1,385,684	731,811
Wool { Scoured { Value ... £	365,555	171,093	96,189	103,447	68,097	60,644	27,048
Timber £	1,040,640	1,655,692	1,265,321	960,435	803,154	503,696	185,992
Hides and Skins £	365,149	376,004	553,144	550,324	369,089	269,659	128,583
Pearls and Shell £	281,100	255,751	186,129	183,785	178,601	174,743	56,737
Sandalwood £	54,769	199,754	147,428	225,208	22,228	43,790	24,448
Tanning Bark £	13,328	15,818	27,662	35,850	40,628	35,333	12,016
Copper (Ingot, Ore, and Matte) ... £	15,883	73	391	1,264	499	...	...
Tin, Dressed and Ingot ... £	5,087	13,987	12,193	14,889	14,612	5,173	2,119
Silver—Bar, Ingot, etc. ... £	16,573	6,840	5,871	4,911	7,233	3,050	2,643
Silver Lead and Lead—Ore, Concentrates, and Pig ... £	27,616	54,755	3,928	5,315	9,736	1,375	270
Wheat { Quantity ... Central ... £	6,214,347	9,797,801	15,716,224	15,654,659	14,971,143	25,464,117	6,955,930
Wheat { Value ... £	3,037,997	4,667,095	6,994,528	6,692,046	6,129,218	5,288,252	1,440,010
Flour { Quantity ... Central ... £	1,124,952	1,889,580	1,707,953	1,597,294	1,381,387	1,719,329	664,511
Flour { Value ... £	1,024,632	1,161,324	1,008,168	892,323	770,177	635,518	201,713
Mutton and Lamb ... { Quantity ... lb.	...	...	227,261	...	...	854,608	2,113,217
Mutton and Lamb ... { Value ... £	...	...	7,675	...	...	17,298	51,315
Beef ... { Quantity ... lb.	2,478,848	6,697,052	11,026,181	9,313,392	11,381,415	11,315,154	8,557,101
Beef ... { Value ... £	39,400	99,025	136,082	112,765	136,242	122,143	89,741
Meat in tins ... { Quantity ... lb.	10,899	446,231	701,034	419,262	362,657	509,829	267,816
Fruit, fresh... { Quantity ... Central ... £	105,367	244,901	115,436	360,719	113,806	230,662	14,982
All other Articles £	1,766,104	334,272	191,915	533,354	156,194	302,085	18,569
Total Exports ... £	13,628,883	15,151,959	18,240,775	17,185,954	17,769,520	17,026,654	5,297,141
Collie Coal ... { Mined ... Tons	459,381	492,134	514,797	531,267	541,617	472,275	195,506
Collie Coal ... { Value ... £	404,521	405,770	414,451	415,028	416,350	371,956	149,514
Collie Coal ... { Bunker'd a Tons	99,540	49,761	29,174	32,941	34,663	16,176	4,213

* For TOTAL PRODUCTION OF GOLD see Table No. 31, p. 20. c. Average value of sovereign during 1921-22, £1-17s; d Average value of fine ounce during the year, 1921-22: £4-9975. a Included in coal production.

No. 23.—Wool Exported from the several Western Australian Ports.

YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 1931.

Ports.	Oversea.				Interstate.				Total.			
	Greasy.		Scoured.		Greasy.		Scoured.		Greasy.		Scoured.	
	bales.	lb.	bales.	lb.	bales.	lb.	bales.	lb.	bales.	lb.	bales.	lb.
Fremantle	186,088	58,853,185	5,891	1,366,670	2,286	932,913	...	...	188,374	59,786,098	5,891	1,366,670
Albany	2,610	799,574	...	...	...	...	...	...	2,610	799,574	...	...
Broome	35	10,794	...	...	...	...	...	...	35	10,794	...	...
Bunbury	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Carnarvon	6,859	2,549,309	...	...	...	...	...	...	6,859	2,549,309	...	...
Derby	106	36,759	27	8,226	...	...	...	...	106	36,759	27	8,226
Geraldton	8,575	3,147,111	...	...	...	...	...	...	8,575	3,147,111	...	...
Onslow	944	338,156	...	...	...	...	...	...	944	338,156	...	...
Port Hedland	5,569	2,110,785	31	10,788	...	...	...	...	5,569	2,110,785	31	10,788
Roebourne	1,709	618,863	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,709	618,863	...	...
Total	{ Quantity	...	212,495	68,464,536	5,949	1,385,684	2,286	932,913	...	...	214,781	69,397,449
	{ Value	...	£	2,310,718	60,644	15,176	...	...	...	2,325,894	60,644	1,385,684

SIX MONTHS ENDED 31ST DECEMBER, 1931.

Ports.	Oversea.				Interstate.				Total.			
	Greasy.		Scoured.		Greasy.		Scoured.		Greasy.		Scoured.	
	bales.	lb.	bales.	lb.	bales.	lb.	bales.	lb.	bales.	lb.	bales.	lb.
Fremantle	76,387	24,749,355	2,935	715,243	600	254,723	...	...	76,987	25,004,078	2,935	715,243
Albany	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Broome	19	6,427	...	...	...	...	...	...	19	6,427	...	...
Bunbury	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Carnarvon	5,729	2,060,922	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,729	2,060,922	...	...
Derby	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Geraldton	5,809	2,003,748	62	16,568	...	...	...	...	5,809	2,003,748	62	16,568
Onslow	628	217,709	...	...	...	...	...	...	628	217,709	...	...
Port Hedland	5,912	2,263,809	...	...	...	...	...	...	5,912	2,263,809	...	...
Roebourne	1,233	456,938	...	...	...	...	...	...	1,233	456,938	...	...
Total	{ Quantity	...	95,717	31,758,908	2,997	731,811	600	254,723	...	...	96,317	32,013,631
	{ Value	...	£	1,089,425	27,048	3,390	...	...	...	1,092,815	27,048	1,385,684

No. 24.—Principal Exports,* Oversea and Interstate, during the Six months ended
31st December, 1931.

A.—VALUES.

Article.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.	£	£	£
Butter	74,233	590	74,823
Eggs in Shell	36,279	...	36,279
Meats, Poultry and Game—			
Beef	89,741	...	89,741
Lamb and Mutton	51,315	...	51,315
Other Animal Foodstuffs	31,819	6,888	38,707
TOTAL, CLASS I.	283,387	7,478	290,865
CLASS I ₁ —FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN, NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, ETC.			
Confectionery	7	7,177	7,184
Fruits Dried—Currants	1,589	6,736	8,325
Raisins	576	1,253	1,829
Fruits Fresh—Apples	7,516	139	7,655
Other	3,285	17,251	20,536
Grain and Pulse, Unprepared—Wheat ...	1,439,934	76	1,440,010
Grain and Pulse Prepared—Flour (Wheaten) ...	201,474	239	201,713
Other Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin, etc. ...	20,773	13,177	33,950
TOTAL, CLASS II.	1,675,154	46,048	1,721,202
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.			
Wine	3	417	420
Other ... ... ... ... ...	...	268	268
TOTAL, CLASS III.	3	685	688
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF			
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.			
Cattle	1,340	54	1,394
Horses	25	65	90
Sheep	4,015	21	4,036
Other Animals	314	525	839
TOTAL, CLASS V.	5,694	665	6,359
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES NOT FOODSTUFFS.			
Hides and Skins—Cattle (including Calf)	16,654	4,046	20,700
Furred Skins	2,537	18,832	21,369
Sheep Skins	73,010	13,384	86,394
Pearl-shell	54,954	21	54,975
Wool, Greasy	1,089,425	3,390	1,092,815
Wool, Scoured	27,048	...	27,048
Other Animal Substances	2,166	644	2,810
TOTAL, CLASS VI.	1,265,794	40,317	1,306,111
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES.			
Bark, Tanning	4,898	7,118	12,016
Sandalwood	24,448	...	24,448
Other Vegetable Substances	525	103	628
TOTAL, CLASS VII.	29,871	7,221	37,092
CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL, (b) TEXTILES, AND (c) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.			
(a) Apparel—Apparel and Attire	151	27,247	27,398
Boots, Shoes, and Slippers ... ... ...	...	5,093	5,093
TOTAL, CLASS VIII. (a)	151	32,340	32,491
(b) Textiles—Piece Goods, Woollen ... ... ...	...	7,610	7,610
Other Textiles	451	7,781	8,232
TOTAL, CLASS VIII. (b)	451	15,391	15,842
(c) Manufactured Fibres ... ... ... ...	...	3,120	3,120
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS, AND WAXES.			
Tallow	16,063	4,865	20,928
Other Oils, Fats, and Waxes	246	9,129	9,375
TOTAL, CLASS IX.	16,309	13,994	30,303
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES	...	223	740
			964

* Exclusive of Ships' Stores.

No. 24.—Principal Exports.* Oversea and Interstate, during the Six months ended
31st December, 1931—continued.

A—VALUES—continued.

Articles.	Oversea.	Interstate	Total
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES.	£	£	£
Concentrates—Silver and Silver Lead	270	... 805	270 805
Tin ... ... ...	... 796	2,020	2,816
Ores—Gold Ore, Quartz, and Concentrates ... ... ...	... 796	... 2,020	2,816
Manganese ... ... ...	... 1,314	... 1,314	1,314
Silver and Silver Lead ... ... ...	... 450	... 450	3,475
Tin ... ... ...	... 3,025	... 3,025	3,475
All other Ores, Clays, and Mineral Earths	4,091	4,589	8,680
TOTAL, CLASS XI.	4,091	4,589	8,680
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES, AND MACHINERY.			
(a) Machines and Machinery—			
Agricultural Implements and Machinery ... ... ...	... 18,855	18,855	18,855
Other	13,393	41,882	55,275
TOTAL, CLASS XII. (a)	13,393	60,737	74,130
(b) Metals and Metal Manufactures—			
Motor Cars and Parts	363	40,161	40,524
Other Metals and Manufactures	7,700	29,422	37,122
TOTAL, CLASS XII. (b)	8,063	69,583	77,646
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF.			
(a) Rubber and Manufactures thereof	45	7,005	7,050
(b) Leather and Manufactures thereof—			
Leather	2,352	8,415	10,767
Leather Manufactures	184	1,007	1,191
TOTAL, CLASS XIII. (b)	2,536	9,422	11,958
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED.			
Timber	163,229	23,743	186,972
Other Wood, Wickerware, etc.	103	41,971	42,074
TOTAL, CLASS XIV.	163,332	65,714	229,046
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENTS, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE.			
China and Earthenware	26	1,180	1,206
Glassware, Cements, etc. ... ... ...	... 1,748	1,748	1,748
TOTAL, CLASS XV.	26	2,928	2,954
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY			
(a) Paper	308	2,047	2,355
(b) Stationery and Paper Manufactures	284	5,563	5,847
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIMEPIECES, AND FANCY GOODS.			
Fancy Goods	10	5,959	5,969
Jewellery, including Pearls	1,782	2,533	4,315
Other	17	30	47
TOTAL, CLASS XVII.	1,809	8,522	10,331
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL, AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS	50	4,865	4,915
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS, AND FERTILIZERS.			
Oils, Essential	28,897	1,840	30,737
Other Drugs, Chemicals, etc.	1,357	18,238	19,595
TOTAL, CLASS XIX.	30,254	20,078	50,332
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS	2,583	20,688	23,271
CLASS XXI.—GOLD AND SILVER, AND BRONZE SPECIE.			
Gold—Specie	649,890	...	649,890
Bar, Dust, Ingot, Sheet	402,147	...	402,147
Silver—Specie	949	...	949
Bar, Ingot, and Sheet	2,614	29	2,643
Bronze—Specie	2,161	...	2,161
TOTAL, CLASS XXI.	1,057,761	29	1,057,790
GRAND TOTAL, EXPORTS † ...	4,561,572	481,416	5,042,988

* Exclusive of Ships' Stores.

† For quantities of principal items of Commodities, see Table No. 24, next page.

No. 24.—Principal Exports,* Oversea and Interstate, during the Six months ended
31st December, 1931—continued.

B.—QUANTITIES.

	Articles.		Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.
Butter	...	lb.	1,197,730	13,124	1,210,854
Eggs in Shell	...	doz.	730,800	...	730,800
Beef	...	lb.	8,557,101	...	8,557,101
Lamb and Mutton	...		2,113,217	...	2,113,217
Currants	...	"	80,774	275,236	356,010
Raisins (all kinds)	...	"	31,983	52,813	84,796
Apples	...	cental	5,518	113	5,631
Wheat	...	"	6,955,655	275	6,955,930
Flour	...	"	664,121	390	664,511
Potatoes	...	cwt.	299	12,600	12,899
Sheep Skins	...	No.	496,312	74,999	571,311
Wool, Greasy	...	lb.	31,758,908	254,823	32,013,731
Wool, Scoured	...	"	731,811	...	731,811
Bark, Tanning	...	cwt.	9,540	13,956	23,496
Sandalwood	...	"	16,795	...	16,795
Pearshell	...	"	6,711	20	6,731
Tallow	...	"	13,743	3,377	17,120
Timber	...	sup. ft.	17,235,124	2,144,687	19,379,811

No. 25.—Exports, being Ships' Stores, during the Six months ended 31st December, 1931.

Articles.	OVERSEA.				INTERSTATE.				Total.	
	Quantity.		Value.		Quantity.		Value.			
	Australian Produce.	Over-sea Produce.	Quantity.	Value.						
Ale, Beer, Porter, etc.	gal.	1,560	3	£ 512	3	...	...	...	1,563	£ 515
Apparel	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Biscuits	...	lb.	1,258	...	44	...	1,077	55	2,335	99
Brushware	...	...	...	...	6	...	...	...	...	6
Butter	...	lb.	10,163	...	773	...	1,302	97	11,465	870
Cheese	...	...	3,058	...	128	...	50	2	3,108	130
Coal (Bunker)	...	ton	10,755	...	21,380	...	1,395	3,120	12,150	24,500
Coffee, Cocoa, Chocolate	lb.	...	1,303	...	103	...	...	...	1,303	103
Cordage and Twine	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Fish—Fresh	lb.	36,454	...	£ 1,304	...	1,705	58	38,159	1,362	
Fish—Preserved	...	112	1,778	7	100	97	...	4	1,987	111
Fruits—Preserved	...	1,259	...	48	...	46	1	...	1,305	49
Fruits—Fresh	...	entl.	778	...	1,118	...	45	61	823	1,179
Fruits and Vegetables (in liquid, etc.)	...	...	...	53	...	...	4	...	...	57
Vegetables, Dried or Concentrated	...	...	...	1	...	...	3	...	...	4
Vegetables, Fresh	...	...	...	2,919	...	...	429	...	...	3,348
Grain and Pulse—										
Beans and Peas	... entl.	1	2	1	3	...	...	...	3	4
Oats	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wheat	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Barley, Pearl and Scotch	lb.	61	...	1	...	...	...	...	61	1
Bran, etc.	...	entl.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Flour, Wheaten	...	4,004	...	1,481	...	7	3	...	4,011	1,484
Rice	...	12	42	13	55	...	...	...	54	68
Hay and Chaff	...	cwt.	10	...	6	...	...	...	10	6
Jams and Jellies	...	lb.	2,291	...	81	...	52	2	2,343	83
Meats—										
Bacon and Hams, etc.	..,	11,591	...	560	...	1,013	43	...	12,604	603
Fresh and Smoked	..,	66,643	...	2,062	...	23,270	518	...	89,913	2,580
Frozen (other than Rabbits and Hares)	...	186,679	...	4,695	...	3,335	83	...	190,014	4,778
Rabbits and Hares	... pairs	48	5	...	16	...	2	...	64	7
Potted and Concentrated	...	...	...	1	...	...	...	...	...	1
Preserved in tins	lb.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Other (including Salted)	cwt.	6	...	24	...	13	32	...	19	56
Milk (Preserved)	lb.	19,536	944	681	29	141	6	...	20,621	716
Oils	...	...	gal.	115,400,024	...	190,534	832,419	...	13,473	12,372,443
Onions	...	...	cwt.	90	44	7	5	...	97	49
Paints and Colours	...	...	...	12	32	...	...	...	12	32
Potatoes	...	3,131	...	1,387	...	103	43	...	3,234	1,430
Salt	...	26	...	12	...	...	...	...	26	12
Soap	...	lb.	6,220	108	...	80	3	...	6,300	111
Spirits	...	gal.	16	119	30	292	...	...	135	322
Sugar	...	cwt.	64	102	...	4	4	...	68	106
Tea	...	lb.	...	1,352	...	133	50	3	1,402	136
Tobacco	...	146	40	61	10	...	...	...	186	71
Cigars	...	...	275	...	178	...	...	...	275	178
Cigarettes	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wine—Sparkling	...	gal.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Wine—Still	...	865	2	186	5	...	...	...	867	191
All other Articles	...	...	...	3,387	953	...	447	1	...	4,788
Total	...	...	...	43,399	192,252	...	5,028	13,474	...	254,153
				235,651			18,502			

No. 26.—Principal Imports, Oversea and Interstate, during the Six months ended
31st December, 1931.

A.—VALUES.

Articles.	Oversea.	Interstate.		Total.
		Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.	
CLASS I.—FOODSTUFFS OF ANIMAL ORIGIN, EXCLUDING LIVING ANIMALS.		£	£	£
Butter ... ... ... ... ... ...	... 26	57,067	...	57,067
Cheese	1	42,732	...	42,758
Eggs in Shell ... ... ... ... ... ...	...	965	...	966
Liquid Form ... ... ... ... ... ...	...	738	...	738
Fish—				
Preserved in Tins, etc.	11,994	266	2,083	14,343
Other	5,810	1,188	44	7,042
Meats, Poultry and Game—				
Bacon and Hams	2	40,410	...	40,412
Potted and Concentrated	1,103	8,732	63	9,898
Preserved in Tins	84	8,129	13	8,226
Milk and Cream—				
Dried or in Powdered Form ... ...	...	17,489	...	17,489
Condensed ... ... ... ...	...	59,127	...	59,127
Other Animal Foodstuffs	2,385	19,883	1,037	23,305
TOTAL, CLASS I.	21,405	256,726	3,240	281,371
CLASS II.—FOODSTUFFS OF VEGETABLE ORIGIN, NON-ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, ETC.				
Biscuits ... ... ... ... ... ...	...	5,524	...	5,524
Confectionery	21	68,796	...	68,817
Cocoa—Beans and Shells, Raw	3,238	...	165	3,403
Coffee Raw and Kiln Dried	2,406	20	193	2,619
Roasted, Ground, and in Liquid	22	4,712	...	4,734
Fruits, Dried	2,016	17,548	855	20,419
“ Fresh—Bananas	2,140	1,572	...	3,712
“ Other	9	1,892	...	1,901
Preserved in Liquid	16	28,328	...	28,344
Grain and Pulse, Unprepared	845	2,815	67	3,727
Prepared—				
“ Malt ... ... ... ...	...	5,531	...	5,531
Oatmeal, Wheatmeal, etc. ... ... ...	...	7,624	...	7,624
Rice	126	14,043	187	14,356
Jams and Jellies ... ... ... ...	...	84,019	...	84,019
Pickles and Sauces	228	21,292	...	21,520
Sugar, Raw ... ... ... ...	...	487,886	...	487,886
Refined ... ... ... ...	...	17,529	...	17,529
Tea in Packets	191	14,066	21	14,278
“ Bulk	55,615	1,171	537	57,323
Other Foodstuffs of Vegetable Origin	14,123	79,302	3,196	96,621
TOTAL, CLASS II.	80,996	863,670	5,221	949,887
CLASS III.—SPIRITUOUS AND ALCOHOLIC LIQUORS.				
Ale and Beer in Bottle	965	35,726	...	36,691
“ in Bulk ... ... ... ...	...	46,814	...	46,814
Cider and Perry	14	131	...	145
Spirit (Beverages)	3,804	15,765	8,436	28,005
Wine	67	34,366	120	34,553
TOTAL, CLASS III.	4,850	132,802	8,556	146,208
CLASS IV.—TOBACCO AND PREPARATIONS THEREOF.				
Tobacco—Manufactured	8	248,225	44	248,277
Unmanufactured	3,006	10,634	...	13,640
Cigars	86	7,139	...	7,225
Cigarettes	76	135,176	80	135,332
Other Preparations	1	...	...	1
TOTAL, CLASS IV.	3,177	401,174	124	404,475
CLASS V.—LIVE ANIMALS.				
Cattle ... ... ... ... ...	...	31,188	...	31,188
Horses ... ... ... ... ...	...	15,045	200	15,245
Sheep ... ... ... ... ...	...	18,918	426	19,344
Other	67	2,877	1	2,945
TOTAL, CLASS V.	67	68,028	627	68,722
CLASS VI.—ANIMAL SUBSTANCES NOT FOODSTUFFS	407	4,660	43	5,110

No. 26.—Principal Imports, Oversea and Interstate, during the Six months ended
31st December, 1931—continued.

A.—VALUES—continued.

Articles.	Oversea.	Interstate.		Total.
		Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.	
CLASS VII.—VEGETABLE SUBSTANCES AND FIBRES.		£	£	£
Hemp	3,993	89	...	4,082
Kapok	4,715	...	...	4,715
Starch	...	6,014	...	6,014
Other Vegetable Substances	7,977	13,394	1,074	22,445
TOTAL, CLASS VII.	16,685	19,497	1,074	37,256
CLASS VIII.—(a) APPAREL, (b) TEXTILES, (c) MANUFACTURED FIBRES.				
(a) Apparel—Boots and Shoes	249	204,514	42	204,805
Hats and Caps	651	43,821	529	45,001
Other Wearing Apparel	7,450	449,979	7,753	465,182
TOTAL, CLASS VIII. (a)	8,350	698,314	8,324	714,988
(b) Textiles ... TOTAL, CLASS VIII. (b)	223,472	107,241	35,066	365,779
(c) Manufactured Fibres—Bags and Sacks	287,512	1,104	693	289,309
Other Manufactured Fibres	1,979	33,654	808	36,441
TOTAL, CLASS VIII. (c)	289,491	34,758	1,501	325,750
CLASS IX.—OILS, FATS AND WAXES.				
Lard and Edible Fats, N.E.I.	...	7,017	...	7,017
Oils in Bulk—Kerosene and the like	9,683	...	...	9,683
Lubricating (Mineral)	13,750	1,284	6,737	21,771
Petroleum, Crude and Residual	76,969	...	...	76,969
Petroleum, Spirit, Petrol, etc.	51,103	161	299	51,563
Other Oils, Fats and Waxes	6,872	17,018	1,501	25,391
TOTAL, CLASS IX.	158,377	25,480	8,537	192,394
CLASS X.—PAINTS AND VARNISHES	1,430	37,333	1,507	40,270
CLASS XI.—STONES AND MINERALS, INCLUDING ORES AND CONCENTRATES.				
Asphalt, Bitumen, and Natural Pitch	3,344	13	2	3,359
Coal	363	69,828	...	70,191
Other Stones and Minerals	9,510	2,550	928	12,988
TOTAL, CLASS XI.	13,217	72,391	930	86,538
CLASS XII.—METALS, METAL MANUFACTURES AND MACHINERY.				
(a) Machines and Machinery—				
Agricultural Implements and Machinery	3,164	33,459	1,950	38,573
Other	93,673	148,099	28,050	269,822
TOTAL, CLASS XII. (a)	96,837	181,558	30,000	308,395
(b) Metals and Metal Manufactures—				
Iron and Steel:				
Bar, Rod, etc.	4,830	13,907	639	19,376
Plate and Sheet, Galvanised	...	18,112	74	18,186
" " Black	2,710	1,715	791	5,216
" " Tinned	4,298	...	...	4,298
Structural	...	10	1,580	1,590
Wire, Barbed	...	...	1,246	1,246
Fencing	51	16,525	...	16,576
Netting, Wire	...	6,536	...	6,536
Vehicles—				
Motor Cars	4,214	4,173	9,457	17,844
Other Vehicles	18,273	17,943	6,921	43,137
Other Metals and Manufactures	48,296	147,302	12,683	208,281
TOTAL, CLASS XII. (b)	82,682	229,039	30,565	342,286

No. 26.—Principal Imports, Oversea and Interstate, during the Six months ended
31st December, 1931—continued.

A.—VALUES—continued.

Articles.	Oversea.	Interstate.		Total.
		Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.	
CLASS XIII.—RUBBER AND LEATHER AND MANUFACTURES THEREOF.		£	£	£
(a) Rubber and Rubber Manufactures—				
Tyres, Pneumatic :				
Covers	35	111,833	...	111,868
Tubes ... ... ... ... ...	...	5,428	...	5,428
Tyres not Pneumatic ... ... ... ... ...	...	717	...	717
Other	3,752	39,750	48	43,550
TOTAL, CLASS XIII. (a)	3,787	157,728	48	161,563
(b) Leather and Manufactures of Leather—				
Leather	73	26,568	...	26,641
Manufactures of Leather	727	11,754	29	12,510
TOTAL, CLASS XIII. (b)	800	38,322	29	39,151
CLASS XIV.—WOOD AND WICKER, RAW AND MANUFACTURED.				
Furniture	424	9,791	57	10,272
Timber	8,331	14,912	4,574	27,817
Manufactures of Wood	1,756	36,133	1,479	39,368
TOTAL, CLASS XIV.	10,511	60,836	6,110	77,457
CLASS XV.—EARTHENWARE, CEMENT, CHINA, GLASS AND STONEWARE.				
Cement, Portland	252	150	...	402
Crockery, Household	9,592	5,953	1,267	16,812
Glass and Glassware	4,039	19,863	1,420	25,322
Other	1,903	3,354	339	5,596
TOTAL, CLASS XV.	15,786	29,320	3,026	48,132
CLASS XVI.—PAPER AND STATIONERY.				
(a) Paper	32,939	26,841	2,464	62,244
(b) Stationery and Manufactures of Paper	29,958	82,094	3,895	115,947
CLASS XVII.—JEWELLERY, TIMEPIECES AND FANCY GOODS	8,820	39,901	12,042	60,763
CLASS XVIII.—OPTICAL, SURGICAL AND SCIENTIFIC INSTRUMENTS.				
Instruments, Parts and Accessories	5,408	3,673	13,483	22,524
Talking Machines, Records, etc.	589	9,952	762	11,303
TOTAL, CLASS XVIII.	5,997	13,585	14,245	33,827
CLASS XIX.—DRUGS, CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS.				
Cream of Tartar	357	15,131	...	15,488
Cyanides of Potassium and Sodium	19,020	...	...	19,020
Drugs and Medicinal Preparations	4,816	59,548	4,406	68,770
Fertilisers—				
Ammonium Sulphate	4,747	775	...	5,522
Rock Phosphates	45,573	...	...	45,573
Other Fertilisers	5,061	5,331	009	11,301
Perfumery and Toilet Preparations	1,764	34,374	6,581	42,719
Sulphur (Brimstone)	28,494	239	119	28,852
Other Drugs and Chemicals	20,367	53,547	2,345	76,259
TOTAL, CLASS XIX.	130,199	168,945	14,360	313,504
CLASS XX.—MISCELLANEOUS.				
Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives	33,656	15,184	880	40,720
Brushware	543	9,171	113	9,827
Matches and Vestas ... ... ... ...	...	28,750	...	28,750
Pianos ... ... ... ...	...	2,180	585	2,765
Player Pianos	68	229	225	522
All other Articles, N.E.I.	52,689	114,859	3,087	170,653
TOTAL, CLASS XX.	86,956	170,373	4,890	262,219
CLASS XXI.—GOLD, SILVER, AND BRONZE SPECIE ...	48	...	360	408
TOTAL, IMPORTS *	1,327,244	3,920,616	196,784	5,444,644

* For quantities of principal items of Commodities, see Table No. 27, next page.

No. 26.—Principal Imports, Oversea and Interstate, during the Six months ended
31st December, 1931—continued.

B.—QUANTITIES.

Article.	Oversea.	Interstate.		Total.
		Australian Origin.	Oversea Origin.	
Butter ...	lb.	798,619	...	798,619
Eggs in Shell ...	doz.	15,143	...	15,168
Bacon and Hams ...	lb.	18	943,133	943,151
Meats Preserved in tins ...	...	1,650	231,989	233,863
Milk, Dried ...	...	...	385,424	385,424
" Condensed ...	...	1,480,915	...	1,480,915
Biscuits ...	...	118,923	...	118,935
Confectionery ...	...	403	940,904	941,307
Cocoa Beans and Shells, Raw ...	...	224,097	...	235,500
Fruits, Dried ...	...	391,909	741,107	1,169,147
Jams and Jellies ...	...	...	3,860,370	3,860,370
Sugar, Raw ...	cwt.	...	330,770	330,770
Refined ...	...	...	8,628	8,628
Tea in Packets ...	lb.	5,078	133,028	133,331
" Bulk ...	...	1,744,988	17,686	1,768,670
Ale and Beer in Bottle ...	gal.	2,798	116,205	119,003
" Bulk ...	...	...	264,694	264,694
Spirits, Beverages ...	...	3,193	17,826	3,597
Tobacco, Manufactured ...	lb.	...	568,998	569,057
" Unmanufactured ...	...	49,968	78,071	128,039
Cigars ...	...	80	6,079	6,159
Cigarettes ...	...	186	167,967	168,228
Oils—Kerosene ...	gal.	501,990	...	501,990
Lubricating (Mineral) ...	...	229,962	5,891	268,896
Petroleum, Crude and Residual ...	...	14,656,206	...	14,656,206
Petroleum Spirit, Petrol, etc. ...	...	3,815,663	1,080	3,818,863
Asphalt, Bitumen and Natural Pitch ...	cwt.	14,598	14	14,613
Coal ...	ton	300	46,312	46,612
Wire, Barbed ...	cwt.	...	971	971
" Fencing ...	...	...	15,181	15,181
Timber ...	sup. ft.	1,072,498	409,994	140,831
Rock Phosphates ...	cwt.	750,628	...	750,628
Sulphur ...	...	101,964	346	200

No. 27.—Value of Imports and Exports, Oversea and Interstate, at the Several Ports of Western Australia during the undermentioned periods.

Ports, etc.	Year ended 30th June, 1931.		Six months ended 31st December, 1931.					
	Value of Trade.		Value of Imports.			Value of Exports.*		
	Imports.	Exports.*	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.	Oversea.	Interstate.	Total.
Fremantle ...	£ 9,798,209	£ 14,201,595	£ 1,257,028	£ 3,634,439	£ 4,891,467	£ 3,878,460	£ 461,295	£ 4,339,755
Perth ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Albany ...	148,237	222,707	1,124	75,739	76,863	6,120	12,499	18,619
Broome ...	20,844	146,171	1,038	1,444	2,482	72,423	...	72,423
Bunbury ...	72,505	1,012,734	31,918	11,176	43,094	334,370	11,824	346,194
Busselton ...	431	12,159	...	...	...	...	3,586	3,586
Carnarvon ...	16,492	74,597	3,093	933	4,026	57,745	...	57,745
Derby ...	2,437	3,627	489	331	820	40	...	40
Esperance ...	1,355	45,064	...	...	...	...	...	...
Geraldton ...	184,426	1,007,613	28,948	19,852	48,800	226,819	19	226,838
Hopetoun ...	79	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Onslow ...	2,141	9,856	913	221	1,134	15,851	81	15,932
Port Hedland ...	4,146	83,953	1,241	...	1,241	62,491	335	62,825
Roebourne ...	548	26,762	433	98	531	13,603	...	13,603
Wyndham ...	49,309	184,963	1,019	28,673	29,692	129,301	635	129,936
Overland by Rail ...	578,695	14,853	...	344,494	344,494	...	9,644	9,644
Total ...	10,879,854	17,026,654	1,327,244	4,117,400	5,444,644	4,797,223	499,918	5,297,141

* Including Ships' Stores

VII.—LAND SETTLEMENT.

No. 28.—Land Settlement as on the 31st December, 1931.

Particulars.	Area.	Area.
I.—ABSOLUTELY ALIENATED: Area sold by public auction or other forms of direct sale or otherwise alienated up to 31st December, 1931	acres.	acres.
... ... ...	... ...	15,223,900
II.—IN PROCESS OF ALIENATION ON THE 31ST DEC., 1931:		
Midland Railway Concessions in process of alienation	54,800	
Free Homestead Farms	836,619	
Conditional Purchases	6,497,040	
Selections from late W.A. Land Company	5,297	
Selections under the Agricultural Lands Purchase Act	506,862	
Special Occupation Leases and Licenses	300	
Homestead or Grazing Leases	12,765,314	
Poison Land Leases and Licenses	26,825	
Village Allotments	61	
... 	—	20,693,118
Total area alienated or in process of alienation on the 31st Dec., 1931	... ...	35,917,018
III.—LEASES OR LICENSES IN FORCE ON 31ST DEC., 1931:		
Issued by Lands Department—		
Pastoral Leases	207,970,910	
Special Leases	19,329	
Leases of Reserves	870,194	
Residential Lots	5,706	
Issued by Mines Department—		
Gold Mining Leases	6,707	
Mineral Leases†	46,290	
Miners' Homestead Leases	30,941	
Issued by Forestry Department—		
Timber Leases	25,668	
Timber Permits a	1,212,038	
IV.—AREA NEITHER ALIENATED, IN PROCESS OF ALIENATION, NOR LEASED	... ...	210,187,783
Total Area of Western Australia ... ... ...	... ...	378,483,999
... 	—	624,588,800

† Inclusive of 102 acres on "Private Property." a Including 36,016 acres of Firewood Permits, but exclusive of Miscellaneous Permits for Forest Produce.

No. 29.—Principal Crown Lands Transactions.—Area of Crown Lands for which Applications have been approved by the Lands Department from 1921.

Period.	Conditional Alienation.						Leases and Licenses.			
	Condi-tional Pur-chases.	Free Home-stead Farms.	Grazing Leases.	Selec-tions, Land Purchase Act.	Town Lots.	Total.	Pas-toral Leases and Licenses.	Spe-cial Leases.	Mis-cel-laneous Leases.	Total.
1921	385,455	72,205	1,357,243	59,407	3,081	1,877,391	20,220,443	163,643	873	20,393,959
1926	419,734	99,141	1,695,932	44,044	1,432	2,260,283	10,377,848	15,965	...	10,393,813
1927	317,947	76,328	1,785,015	10,663	1,429	2,191,382	9,878,342	106,160	...	9,984,502
1928	609,064	71,895	1,871,701	61,367	1,566	2,615,593	12,563,081	10,773	...	12,573,854
1929	203,200	55,254	1,567,115	8,512	1,477	1,835,558	13,879,705	21,530	79,592	13,980,827
1930	177,971	166,428	1,044,702	4,367	754	1,394,220	4,215,731	2,167	202,940	4,420,838
1931— 9 months ended Sept. ...	41,270	225,539	304,770	8,630	1,120	581,329	1,840,807	20,288	9,710	1,870,805
October ...	8,308	4,931	31,234	...	168	44,641	220,847	2,754	1,385	224,986
November ...	8,650	2,180	27,289	343	123	38,585	739,150	410	10	739,570
December ...	6,991	3,041	27,555	14	125	37,726	173,254	...	6,218	179,472

VIII.—PRODUCTION.

No. 30.—Estimated value of Western Australian Production, 1921 to 1930.

Year.*	Agricultural.	Pastoral.	Dairy, Poultry, and Bee-Farming.	Forestry and Fisheries.	Mining.	Manufacturing.	Total.
1921	£ 6,926,532	£ 4,016,045	£ 1,132,257	£ 1,937,153	£ 2,880,169	£ 3,698,923	£ 20,591,079
1922	6,495,948	5,292,235	1,174,851	2,119,968	2,801,626	4,103,526	21,988,154
1923	7,537,964	6,513,581	1,241,422	2,256,237	2,657,950	4,720,637	24,927,791
1924	11,183,727	6,709,662	1,362,914	2,582,101	2,581,162	5,254,907	29,674,473
1925	9,754,956	5,786,938	1,717,831	£ 3,993,226	£ 2,505,170	£ 7,335,166	31,093,287
1926	12,093,836	5,694,184	1,643,863	2,884,156	£ 2,466,581	5,849,916	30,632,386
1927	13,084,025	7,190,770	1,800,024	2,664,531	12,348,913	6,618,473	33,656,738
1928	11,942,067	6,533,601	1,883,782	2,287,948	12,294,254	7,051,049	31,992,701
1929	11,965,208	5,831,083	2,185,635	2,023,781	12,247,942	6,771,974	31,025,628
1930 a	8,834,128	4,544,668	1,996,306	1,508,914	£ 2,250,666	4,580,000	23,720,682

* In the case of Agricultural Production, seasons ended last day of February in following year, and for Forestry, Fisheries and Manufacturing on 30th June of following year, from the year 1925.
months ended 20th June, 1926. † Including Quarries.

‡ Liable to revision.

IX.—GOLD MINING STATISTICS.

No. 31.—Annual Gold Production of Western Australia from 1886, comprising Raw Gold entered for Export, plus Raw Gold received at the Perth Branch of the Royal Mint (from May, 1899); also amounts of Dividends paid.

Period.	Quantity of Raw Gold.			Value.	Dividends Paid.
	Exported Direct.	Received at Perth Mint.	Total.		
Prior to 1926 ...	Fine ounces. 10,974,671	Fine ounces. 25,296,496	Fine ounces. 36,271,167	£ 154,070,123	£ 28,605,701
1926 ...	3,188	434,155	437,343	1,857,716	61,479
1927 ...	3,359	404,994	408,353	1,734,571	31,250
1928 ...	3,339	390,069	393,408	1,671,093	31,250
1929 ...	3,036	374,140	377,176	1,602,142	65,607
1930 ...	1,753	414,616	416,369	1,768,623	31,250
1886 to 31st December, 1930	10,989,346	27,314,470	38,303,816	162,704,268	28,826,537
January, 1931	230	27,077	27,307	115,992	...
February, 1931	124	38,248	38,372	162,993	12,500
March, 1931	304	34,644	34,948	148,448	...
April, 1931	121	38,771	38,892	165,205	...
May, 1931	150	38,106	38,256	162,503	...
June, 1931	17	47,491	47,508	201,803	...
July, 1931	47	38,739	38,786	164,751	40,625
August, 1931	237	52,265	52,502	223,015	...
September, 1931	...	38,173	38,173	162,149	...
October, 1931	62	52,680	52,742	224,034	...
November, 1931	...	53,870	53,870	228,823	...
December, 1931	434	48,782	49,216	209,055	...
Total, 1931	1,726	508,846	510,572	2,168,771	53,125
From 1886 to 31st December, 1931	10,991,072	27,823,316	38,814,388	*164,873,039	28,879,662

* In accordance with prices realised by the Australian Gold Producers' Association on the export sales of gold from 1920 to 1924, the value of the gold production may be increased for total to end of 1931 to £167,462,641.

No. 32.—Monthly Gold Production of Western Australia, being Export of Gold plus Gold received at the Perth Branch of the Royal Mint, from 1921.

Month.	1921.	1926.	1927.	1928.	1929.	1930.	1931.
January	Fine ounces. 51,459	Fine ounces. 29,302	Fine ounces. 27,024	Fine ounces. 28,561	Fine ounces. 27,386	Fine ounces. 25,473	Fine ounces. 27,307
February	27,559	34,685	31,353	32,120	28,178	31,308	38,372
March	47,886	30,628	30,236	23,603	25,849	27,947	34,948
April	47,273	43,695	36,726	38,488	39,167	36,653	38,892
May	48,113	35,433	33,206	29,265	28,027	32,967	38,256
June	28,348	39,683	36,981	39,450	33,140	41,738	47,508
July	46,558	35,116	31,445	29,400	28,086	34,175	38,786
August	51,842	40,893	38,747	37,991	37,033	38,580	52,502
September	51,109	33,144	34,979	32,398	32,752	32,035	38,173
October	53,197	41,717	36,179	36,567	35,445	39,688	52,742
November	46,586	32,210	32,034	31,467	28,462	33,708	53,870
December	53,801	40,832	38,842	36,098	33,651	42,097	49,216
Total	553,781	437,343	408,352	393,408	377,176	416,369	510,572

X.—LIVE STOCK AND WOOL-CLIP.

No. 33.—Number of Live Stock in Western Australia on the 31st December, 1921 to 1930, and Wool Production during each Year.

Year.	Horses.	Cattle.	Sheep.	Pigs.	Goats.	Camels.	Mules and Donkeys.	Wool clip.	Wool Exported on skins.
1921	180,334	893,108	6,506,177	63,001	30,352	5,856	8,274	lbs. 43,081,960	lbs. 5,598,952
1926	166,463	827,303	7,458,766	69,798	20,970	5,021	9,442	55,131,072	4,168,051
1927	165,021	846,735	8,447,480	50,810	21,798	4,836	10,334	62,702,013	4,847,721
1928	160,876	837,527	8,943,002	49,243	19,762	4,119	9,580	58,865,734	5,025,250
1929	159,523	836,648	9,556,823	64,522	17,800	3,446	9,252	67,150,720	5,411,874
1930	156,973	†812,844	9,882,761	100,664	19,327	3,623	9,524	71,541,885	5,409,615

† Decrease on previous year is owing to transfer of cattle to Northern Territory runs.

XI.—AGRICULTURE.

No. 34.—Cropping, Clearing, etc., 1921–22 to 1930–1931.

Season ended last day of February.	Land Cropped, Cleared, etc.							Total.
	Under Crop.	Under artificially sown grasses.	Newly cleared and prepared for next crops.	In fallow.	Other, previously cropped, now used for grazing, etc.	Ringbarked or partially cleared.		
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1922	1,901,680	18,441	298,699	894,789	1,923,021	2,667,612	7,704,242	
1926	2,932,110	89,170	460,021	1,504,581	2,417,072	2,264,235	9,757,189	
1927	3,324,523	128,751	527,474	1,677,372	2,592,887	2,223,165	10,474,172	
1928	3,720,100	169,105	666,602	1,849,533	2,884,919	2,196,544	11,486,808	
1929	4,259,269	243,560	800,300	2,284,040	3,159,834	2,180,790	12,927,793	
1930	4,566,001	323,925	774,654	2,597,846	3,544,650	1,996,234	13,803,310	
1931	4,792,017	339,371	481,490	2,821,639	4,101,414	1,871,825	14,407,756	

No. 35.—Areas under various kinds of Crops in Western Australia, 1921–1922 to 1930–1931.

Season ended last day of February.	Grain Crops.				Hay of all kinds.	Potatoes.	Vineyards.	Orchards.	Other Crops.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.	Other.					
	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.	acres.
1922	1,336,228	162,866	7,894	1,184	335,561	3,612	3,951	19,012	31,422
1927	2,571,187	234,826	13,826	3,356	858,487	5,144	5,274	18,512	113,911
1928	2,998,523	235,469	12,138	2,053	357,065	5,280	4,959	18,398	86,220
1929	3,343,530	325,827	14,429	2,635	414,866	4,819	4,943	18,735	129,485
1930	3,568,225	385,134	23,649	2,759	418,698	6,024	4,964	18,871	137,677
1931	3,955,763	274,874	17,236	2,872	398,411	6,306	4,966	19,354	112,235
Forecast for 1931-32 season	3,080,575	234,317	15,952	...	*416,893	...	...	...	...

* Wheat, Oaten and Barley Hay.

No. 36.—Yield of Principal Crops and quantity of Wine made, 1921–1922 to 1930–1931.

Season ended last day of February.	Principal Grain Crops.			Hay of all kinds.	Potatoes.	Wine.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.			
	bushels.	bushels.	bushels.			
1922	13,904,721	2,019,603	85,857	368,720	13,605	152,299
1927	31,068,600	2,716,436	128,136	423,839	17,755	291,951
1928	36,370,219	2,922,865	126,835	416,707	16,746	408,717
1929	33,790,404	3,554,609	189,560	421,504	18,774	309,524
1930	39,081,183	4,058,160	261,870	423,328	27,546	317,637
1931	53,504,149	3,292,560	185,316	491,595	26,318	307,788
Forecast for 1931-32 season	30,065,286	3,439,411	212,480	*436,668	...	...

* Wheat, Oaten and Barley Hay.

No. 37.—Average Yield per Acre of Principal Crops, 1921–1922 to 1930–1931.

Season ended last day of February.	Principal Grain Crops.			Hay of all kinds.	Potatoes.
	Wheat.	Oats.	Barley.		
	bush.	bush.	bush.		
1922	10·41	12·40	10·88	tons.	tons.
1927	12·08	11·57	9·27	1·18	3·45
1928	12·13	12·41	10·45	1·17	3·17
1929	10·11	10·91	13·14	1·02	3·90
1930	10·95	10·54	11·08	1·02	4·57
1931	13·52	11·98	10·75	1·23	4·17
Forecast for 1931-32 season	11·71	14·68	13·32	*1·05	...

* Wheat, Oaten and Barley Hay.

XII.—INDUSTRIAL ESTABLISHMENTS.

(Exclusive of Mines.)

No. 38.—Output of the principal Articles manufactured in Industrial Establishments of Western Australia, 1921 to 1930-31.

Articles, etc., Produced or Treated.		1921.	1926-1927.	1927-1928.	1928-1929.	1929-1930.	1930-1931.
Hides tanned	... ... ... ...	No.	39,277	55,583	48,613	50,628	53,092
Skins tanned	... ... ... ...	"	31,473	3,980	10,549	13,417	6,482
Leather produced	... ... ... ...	lbs.	1,496,258	2,074,031	1,842,787	1,952,941	1,787,637
Bricks	... ... ... ...	No.	23,548,175	45,558,736	53,317,694	60,816,627	48,156,746
Lime burned	... ... ... ...	tons.	8,298	8,533	8,339	11,355	9,229
Timber sawn or hewn ^a	... ...	sup. ft.	183,663,021	229,195,066	227,631,264	174,324,082	159,642,788
Bacon	... ... ... ...	lbs.	1,633,223	2,237,375	2,500,788	2,353,628	2,557,022
Ham	... ... ... ...	"	95,394	277,156	91,187	84,834	44,400
Butter	... ... ... ...	"	1,532,007	2,464,352	2,847,929	3,622,324	4,723,132
Confectionery	... ... ... ...	"	2,511,548	4,258,620	4,720,856	5,035,741	4,564,698
Jam	... ... ... ...	"	418,927	^b	^b	^b	^b
Pickles	... ... ... ...	pints	56,024	124,536	232,144	213,992	237,799
Sauce	... ... ... ...	"	199,368	168,444	394,750	386,812	348,544
Vinegar	... ... ... ...	"	^c	1,373,624	1,706,952	1,216,600	1,539,862
Wheat ground	... ... ... ...	bush.	3,857,504	6,292,463	5,980,113	5,644,930	5,713,943
Flour made	... ... ... ...	tons	82,148	133,919	127,246	119,550	120,595
Aerated Waters	... ... ... ...	doz.	967,863	*926,830	*1,081,165	*1,023,167	*1,049,288
Cordials*	... ... ... ...	"	13,622	*14,312	*26,885	*24,714	*23,671
Beer and Stout	... ... ... ...	gall.	5,531,954	5,615,201	6,010,532	5,934,303	6,008,184
Tobacco made	... ... ... ...	lbs.	1,485	52,150	107,400	192,015	228,054
Cigarettes made	... ... ... ...	No.	{ } 17,523,774	16,384,000	9,837,074	10,634,784	13,718,393
Do.	... ... ... ...	lbs.		36,250	34,100	20,440	21,830
Cigars made	... ... ... ...	No.	{ } 11,028	1,482,376	1,339,933	1,404,225	1,301,784
Do.	... ... ... ...	lbs.		15,238	14,480	14,998	13,718
Boots and Shoes	... ... ... ...	pairs	229,582	355,754	360,526	356,300	316,434
Electric Light used	... ... ... ...	Brit. Units	11,080,096	20,271,409	21,944,352	27,750,750	29,814,550
do. Power	... ... ... ...	"	25,005,598	57,867,895	62,505,810	64,709,005	72,585,842
Gas manufactured	... ... ... ...	cub. ft.	202,088,400	293,807,400	330,239,700	361,561,400	408,213,400
Value, Total Industrial Production ^d	... ...	£	5,239,546	e 6,907,023	7,690,123	7,968,649	7,488,060
							5,277,978

^a Including the following quantities (in super. feet):—Hewn outside Industrial Establishments for the Railway Department, Exporters, Coal and Gold Mines, etc., 1921, 19,672,258; 1926-27, 73,107,815; 1927-28, 64,451,395; 1928-29, 29,281,146; 1929-30, 36,071,054; 1930-31, 38,158,959. ^b Not available. ^c Added value, being the total value of output of all Industrial Establishments minus the values of raw material and fuel, etc. The figures are different from those shown in Table No. 30 on page 19 under "Manufacturing," where several items annually collected from "Industrial Establishments" come under other headings. ^d Equals approximately 871,014 gallons and in addition 7,972 gallons of bulk hop beer, etc., were made.

^e Exclusive of the production of bakeries.

* Amended from previous issue.

XIII.—RETAIL PRICES AND HOUSE RENT.

METROPOLITAN AREA, OUTPORTS, AND COUNTRY TOWNS

No. 39.—Average Retail Prices and Price Index Numbers—Food and Groceries.

Comparison of Metropolitan Area Retail Prices in September, 1931, and December, 1931, with Perth Retail Prices in July, 1914.							Price Index Numbers—December Quarter, 1931.	
Commodities.	Perth Prices, July, 1914.	September, 1931.		December, 1931.		Index Numbers representing variations in the cost of food and groceries in the undermentioned towns for the quarter ended December, 1931, with weighted average for six capital towns in 1911 as base = 1000.		
		(a.) Metro- politan Area.	Percentage Increase as compared with July 1914.	(a.) Metro- politan Area.	Percentage Increase as compared with July, 1914.			
GROCERIES.		s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.			
Flour—Ordinary	... 25lbs.	2 8½	2 7	3 88†	2 11½	9·30		
Tea	... lb.	1 4	2 3½	71·87	2 3	68·75		
Coffee	... "	1 6½	1 10½	23·29	1 10½	23·29		
Sugar	... "	0 2½	0 4½	63·63	0 4½	63·64		
Rice	... "	0 3	0 3½	25·00	0 3½	25·00		
Sago	... "	0 2½	0 3	9·09	0 3	9·09		
Jam	... "	0 4½	0 5½	29·41	0 6	41·18		
Oatmeal	... "	0 2½	0 3	20·00	0 3½	30·00		
Raisins	... "	0 7	0 8	14·29	0 8½	17·86		
Currants	... "	0 6½	0 8½	26·92	0 8½	30·77		
Starch	... "	0 6	0 8½	41·67	0 8½	41·67		
Blue (doz. squares)	... "	0 11	1 4½	47·73	1 4½	50·00		
Candles	... lb.	0 7½	0 11½	53·33	0 11½	53·33		
Soap	... "	0 3	0 4½	50·00	0 4½	41·67		
Potatoes	... 14lbs.	1 8½	1 4½	17·28†	1 5	16·05†		
Onions	... lb.	0 1½	0 1½	00·00	0 1½	14·29†		
Kerosene	... gal.	1 2½	1 10	51·72	1 10	51·72		
Butter	... lb.	1 4	1 6½	14·06	1 5½	10·94		
Cheese	... doz.	0 11½	0 11½	4·44	1 0	6·67		
Eggs	... "	1 8½	0 9½	54·88†	0 9½	52·44†		
Bacon—Middle	... lb.	1 2	1 3	7·14	1 2½	5·36		
Shoulder	... "	0 9	0 8½	2·78†	0 9	00·00		
Ham	... "	1 3½	1 4½	4·84	1 4½	6·45		
Bread	... 2lbs.	0 3½	0 4½	21·43	0 4½	21·43		
Milk	... qrt.	0 6½	0 7	12·00	0 7	12·00		
MEATS.								
Beef—Sirloin	... lb.	0 8	0 7½	6·25†	0 7½	9·37†		
Rib	... "	0 6½	0 6½	7·41†	0 5½	14·81†		
Flank	... "	0 5½	0 7½	30·43	0 7½	26·09		
Shin	... "	0 6	0 5½	4·17†	0 5½	8·33†		
Steak, Rump	... "	0 11½	1 1½	17·39	1 1½	17·39		
" Shoulder	... "	0 7½	0 7	3·45†	0 7½	00·00		
" Stewing	... "	0 6½	0 6½	3·70†	0 6½	7·41†		
Corned, Round	... "	0 7	0 7½	7·14	0 7½	7·14		
Brisket with bone	... "	0 4½	0 4½	11·76	0 3½	11·76†		
without bone	... "	0 6	0 5½	8·33†	0 5½	8·33†		
" bone	... "	0 9	0 5½	36·11†	0 6	33·33†		
Mutton—Leg	... "	0 7½	0 4	44·83†	0 4	44·83†		
Shoulder	... "	0 8	0 5½	31·25†	0 5½	31·25†		
Loin	... "	0 6½	0 4	40·74†	0 4	40·74†		
Neck	... "	0 9	0 6	33·33†	0 6½	30·56†		
Chops, Loin...	... "	0 9	0 6	33·33†	0 6½	30·56†		
" Leg	... "	0 9	0 6	37·93†	0 4½	41·38†		
" Neck	... "	0 7½	0 4½	11·91†	0 9½	9·52†		
Pork—Leg	... "	0 10½	0 9½	11·91†	0 9½	11·90†		
Loin	... "	0 10½	0 9½	25·64†	0 7½	23·08†		
Belly	... "	0 9½	0 7½	11·36†	0 9½	15·91†		
Chops	... "	0 11	0 9½	6·42	...	5·45		
All commodities	... "	...	...	...	...	...

a Extending from Fremantle to Midland Junction, both inclusive.

† Decrease.

No. 40.—Average Weekly House Rents in the Metropolitan Area (a) September Quarter, 1931 and December Quarter, 1931.

Period.	Index No. *	Percentage Increase as compared with July, 1914.	Cottages.	Quarter ended September, 1931.	Quarter ended December, 1931.
1914. July ...	1340	...			
1931. 3rd Qr. (July to September)	1439	7·39	Wood— 4 rooms	15 6	14 8
October ...	1415	5·6	5 rooms	18 8	18 0
November ...	1423	6·19	Brick— 4 rooms	18 6	17 8
December ...	1413	5·45	5 rooms	23 6	22 10
4th Qr. (Sept. to December)	1417	5·75			

(a.) See Note (a) to Table No. 39. For the Quarter ended December, 1931, the average weekly house rent for four and five roomed houses was 18/10 as compared with 19/7 for the Quarter ended September, 1931. In calculating the average rent for each quarter, "weights" representing the number of houses in the Metropolitan Area as disclosed by the 1921 Census were used.

* Representing variations in the cost of food and groceries in the Metropolitan Area for the periods referred to, with weighted average for six capital towns in 1911 as base = 1000.

XIV.—WAGES.

No. 41.—Minimum Rates of Wages established under Awards of Courts of Arbitration and Industrial Agreements, in certain Trades and Occupations as at 31st December, 1931.

Note.—The rates hereunder relate to the Metropolitan Area except where otherwise stated. Trades or Occupations marked (*) are subject to 20% reduction on rates quoted under the terms of the Financial Emergency Act.

Occupation.	Wages.	Occupation.	Wages.
TREATING RAW MATERIAL, ETC.		STONE, CLAY, GLASS, ETC.— <i>contd.</i>	£ s. d.
Sausage Casing—	£ s. d.	*Fibrous Plaster, Plaster, and Cement Goods	Per hour.
Beef or Mutton Scraper	Per week.	Sheet Fibre Casters	0 1 8½
Juniors	4 11 0	Reinforced Cement Worker	0 1 8½
	1 13 9	Glass—	Per week.
	3 15 0	Glass bevelling and silvering	4 14 6
Tanneries—		Lime-works—	
Bark Bagger	3 9 6	Cutters, Loaders, Klinhands and Quarry-men	4 2 6
Currier	4 0 6	Horse-drivers	4 3 0
Flesher (Hand)	3 16 0	Motor-drivers	4 8 0
Lime Jobber	3 8 6	Day Firlers, Powder Monkey, Lime Baggers and Crushers	4 8 6
Machinist	3 9 6	Klin Repairers	4 11 6
	4 0 6	Night Firlers	1 1 1
Roller or Striker	3 13 0	*Pottery and Porcelain Employees—	Per day.
Shedman	3 7 6	Burner or Moulder	0 14 7
Scudder, Unhauler	3 11 6	Setters	0 13 3
Tannery Hand (Unskilled)	3 6 6	Flangers	0 14 7
	3 8 0	Trap Workers	0 14 3
Table Hands	3 12 0	Junction Sticker	0 13 3
Chaff-cutting and Carting—(a)		Others	0 12 3
Steam-feeder, Stackman and Sheaf-turner	3 19 6	WORKING IN WOOD.	
Cook	4 7 0	*Box and Case-making—	Per week.
Bag Sewer	4 9 6	Sawyer	4 3 6
Engine-driver	5 7 0	Machinist	4 1 0
Teamster	6 11 0	Case-maker	4 1 0
OILS AND FATS.		Labourer	3 13 6
Soap and Candle Factories—		Undertaking—	
Glycerine Hand	4 3 6	Coffin Maker	4 14 0
Leading Candlemaker	4 2 6	Trimmer	4 4 0
Boxinaker	4 2 6	Joinery	
Soap Crutcher	4 0 6	Carpenter (Government)	4 8 10
Storeman Packer	3 19 6		Per hour.
Soda Crystal Maker	3 19 6	*Carpenter (Other)	0 2 2½
Tallow Man, Box Wirer, and Soap Cutter	3 18 6		0 2 5½
Assistants to Soap-maker and Candle-maker	3 18 6	*Forest Sawmills—South-West Land Division (c)	Per week.
All other Adults (Males)	3 13 6	Blacksmith	4 12 6
STONE, CLAY, GLASS, ETC.		Carpenter (Bush)	4 6 6
*Brickworks—	Per hour.	Dockerman	3 19 0
Hoffman Kilns:			to
Burner	0 1 11½	Engine-drivers—	4 3 6
	Per day.	Locomotive	4 13 6
Clayhole Hand	0 14 9½		to
	to	Stationary	4 19 6
Machine Driver	0 15 10½		4 3 6
	0 14 9½	Faller	4 6 6
Taker-off (Single Machine, youth)	0 15 4	Farrier	4 9 6
Taker-off and Tucker (Double Machine)	0 11 5½	Fireman—	4 12 6
Setter	0 14 9½	Locomotive	4 0 6
Moulding (Fancy Bricks)	0 16 3	Stationary	3 17 6
	0 16 3		to
Drawers (b)	0 3 6½	Horse-driver	4 0 6
	to	Labourer	3 14 6
*Wire-cut Brickyards—	per 1,000	Machinist	4 7 0
Clayhole Hand	0 4 4		to
	Per day.	Puller out	4 17 0
Off-bearers	0 14 9½	Saw Doctor	3 14 6
Scintlers	0 15 10½	Sawyer	4 9 6
	0 15 8½	Spotter	5 4 6
Burners	0 14 9½	Swamper	3 17 6
	0 14 9½		to
Setters	0 15 10½	Stacker	4 18 6
Millfeeder	0 16 3		4 12 6
Wheeler-out	0 14 9½		4 0 6
Wheeler or Crowder-in	0 15 4		3 14 6
Cement Pipe-making—	Per week.	*Town Sawmills—	
Maintenance Man	4 11 6	Buzzer	4 8 0
	4 2 0		to
Pipe Maker	4 3 6	Motor Lorry Driver	4 14 0
	4 2 0		4 8 0
Stone Crushers	4 2 0		to
Labourer	3 15 6		4 16 0
Cement Works—			
Miller	4 8 8		
Assistant	4 2 8		
Burner	4 18 8		
Clinker Wheeler	4 3 2		
Dredge Hand	4 14 8		
Labourer	3 19 8		
	to		
	4 7 8		

(a) The award applies to S.W. Land Division

(b) Less 3½ pence for each hour worked.

(c) Outside Metropolitan Area.

No. 41.—Minimum Rates of Wages established under Awards of Courts of Arbitration and Industrial Agreements, in certain Trades and Occupations as at 31st December, 1931—contd.

Occupation.	Wages.	Occupation.	Wages.
WORKING IN WOOD— <i>contd.</i>	£ s. d.	FOOD AND DRINK, ETC.	£ s. d.
*Town Sawmills— <i>contd.</i>	Per week.	Ham and Bacon Curing—	Per week.
Joiner	4 13 6	Leading Man	5 1 6
Moulding Machinist	4 8 0	Scalders	4 14 6
Sawyer	4 14 0	Assistants in Cellar	4 12 0
Shaper	4 3 0	Pork Labourers, Shavers, etc. ...	4 7 0
Tenoner	4 11 0	Yardmen	4 4 6
Wood-turner	4 18 0	*Biscuits and Cakes—	
METAL WORKS AND MACHINERY.		Biscuit Makers	4 13 6
*Engineering, Foundries, etc.—		Machine Hands	4 13 6
Blacksmith, Coppersmith, Fitter, Turner, Planer, Slotted, etc.	4 17 6	Employees in Charge, Cake Mixing ...	4 13 6
Pattern-maker	5 6 6	Weighers, Mixers, and Blenders ...	4 3 6
Leading Hand	5 12 6	Female Employees (Adults) ...	2 1 5
Furnace-man	4 5 6	Pastry Cooking—	
Tradesman's Assistant	4 17 6	Pastry-cook (Single Hand) ...	5 1 0
Boilermaker	3 19 6	Pastry-cook ...	4 13 6
Moulder	4 14 6	Casual ...	Per day. 0 16 11
Agricultural Implement Making —	4 17 6	Flour Mills—	Per week.
Assemblers	Per day. 0 13 0	Foreman Miller ...	4 10 9
Labourers	0 12 3	to	
Agricultural Implement Making (Government)—	Per week.	Foreman Miller ...	4 13 0
Pattern-makers	4 16 0	Shift Millers or Rollerman ...	4 1 3½
Blacksmiths	4 13 7	Fitters ...	4 10 9
Boilermaker	4 11 2	General Repairers ...	4 2 2½
Carpenters	4 9 7	Wheat Samplers ...	3 11 4½
Fitters, Turners, Moulders	4 8 10	Smuttermen ...	3 15 0
Plumbbers, and Painters	4 12 10	Packermen ...	3 13 2½
Labourers	3 11 4	Engine-drivers ...	3 10 6
Engineering (Railways)—	Per day.	Firemen ...	3 16 9½
Forge-man	1 0 1	Others ...	3 13 6
Fitter in Charge, Running Shed ...	0 19 2	Breweries (including Bottling)—	4 15 6
Fitter in Charge, Power House ...	0 18 4	Motor Lorry Driver ...	to
Pattern-maker	0 17 5	Cylinder Men ...	4 18 0
Blacksmith	0 17 0	Leading Hands, Cask Pitchers, Firemen, and Assistant Topmen ...	4 13 0
Coppersmith, Fitter, Brass Finisher, Turner, Borer, Planer, etc.	0 16 2	Bottle Washers, Cask-Washers, Packers, Sorters, Corkers, Wirers, etc.	4 11 0
Furnaceman, etc.	0 14 10	Engine-drivers ...	4 8 0
Boillermaker	0 15 9	Firemen ...	5 9 6
Moulder	0 16 7	Labourers (Adult), and Others ...	4 11 0
Engineering (Goldfields)—	Per week.	Motor Lorry Driver ...	4 8 0
Coppersmith, Blacksmith, Fitter, Turner, Motor Mechanic and Planer	5 2 0	Cylinder Men ...	5 15 6
Patternmaker	5 11 0	Leading Hands, Cask Pitchers, Firemen, and Assistant Topmen ...	5 13 6
*Sheet Metal Working—		Bottle Washers, Cask-Washers, Packers, Sorters, Corkers, Wirers, etc.	5 11 6
Bench Hands	5 2 6	Engine-drivers ...	5 11 6
Stock Hands	4 14 0	Firemen ...	5 9 0
Canister Makers (adults) ...	4 6 6	Labourers (Adult), and Others ...	5 6 6
Stove and Range Fitters and Assemblers	4 14 0	Per hour.	Per hour.
Gas Meter makers	4 17 6	Jobber ...	0 2 9½
*Wire-working—		Bread Carter ...	Per week. 4 4 0
Galvaniser	4 11 0	Bread Carter (in Charge, motor vehicle)	4 9 0
Hand and Power Loom Weaver ...	4 5 0	Cigar, Cigarette, and Tobacco Making—	
Barbed Wire-maker ...	4 4 0	Males ...	3 16 6
Machinist	4 2 6	Females ...	2 1 9
Labourer	3 15 6	CLOTHING AND TEXTILE FABRICS AND FIBROUS MATERIALS.	
Plumbing—		*Boots and Shoes—	
Plumber (Government)	4 8 10	Journeyman ...	4 6 0
*Plumber (Other)	0 2 5½	Journeywoman ...	2 3 6

No. 41.—Minimum Rates of Wages established under Awards of Courts of Arbitration and Industrial Agreements in certain Trades and Occupations as at 31st December, 1931—contd.

Occupation.	Wages.	Occupation.	Wages.
CLOTHING, ETC.— <i>contd.</i>	£ s. d.	*Printing (Jobbing)—	Per week.
Clothing Trades— <i>contd.</i>	Per week.	Linotype and Monotype Operator	£ s. d.
*Knitting—		Hand Composers, Stereotypers, Bookbinders, and Finishers, Paper Rulers, Calico Bag Printers, Lithographers, Letterpress and Paper Bag Machinist, Envelope Cutters, and Guillotine Cutters	6 5 6
Males	3 16 0		5 3 6
Females	2 3 9		
*Ready-made Clothing (Men's and Boys' Outer)—			
Foreman	5 5 6	VEHICLES AND FITTINGS, SADDLERY, HARNESS, ETC.	
Cutter, Trimmer, and Presser	4 10 6	*Coachbuilding, etc.—	
Coat Hand (Female)	2 5 5	Coachsmith, Painter, Wheelwright, etc.	5 17 6
Brusher and Folder (Female) ...	2 2 5	Spoke Throasters, Machinists, etc.	4 13 6
Machinist	2 3 11 to 2 5 5	Smith's Striker	3 19 0
*Shirtmaking—		Sectional Trimmer	4 9 6
Cutter (Male)	4 10 6	Floor Man	4 8 6
Cutter (Female)	2 10 5	Metal Panel Fixer	4 6 6
Machinist, Ironer, Starcher	2 2 5	Painter's Labourer	4 2 6
*Stock Costumes—		Vyce Man	4 0 6
Dressmaking (ready made):		Storeman	4 3 6
Stock Cutter (Male)	4 10 6	Others	3 13 6
Stock Cutter (Female)	2 10 5		
Skirt Hand	2 3 9	*Saddlery and Leather Working—	
Coat, Bodice, etc. Hand	2 3 9	Journeyman	4 17 6
Machinist	2 3 9	Females:	
*White Work—		Hand Stitching	5 0 5
Corset Maker	2 7 5	Others	2 8 5
Cutter (Female)	2 10 5		
Washer, Starcher, and Ironer	2 2 5	SHIPBUILDING, ETC.	
Machinist	2 2 5	Shipwrights and Boatbuilders	Per hour.
Tailoring—			0 2 4
Males:			
Cutters	5 13 0	FURNITURE, BEDDING, ETC.	
Foremen	5 3 0	*Furniture Making—	Per week.
Trimmers, Fitters, Tailors, Machinists and Pressers	4 13 0	Cabinet-maker, Wood Carver, Wood Turner, Leadlighter, shaper and upholsterer	4 17 6
All others	4 6 9	French Polisher, Glass Beveler, Wire-Mattress Maker and Wicker Worker	4 14 6
Females:		Mattress Maker	4 11 6
Cutters	5 5 1	Picture Frame Maker	4 8 6
Trimmers, Fitters, and Pressers	4 15 1	Labourer	3 13 6
Machinists	2 7 7		to
Body and Dress Coat Hands	4 15 1		3 16 6
All other Coat Hands	2 7 7		
Trouser Hands	2 10 7		
Vest and Skirt Hands	2 8 2½		
Dyeing and Cleaning—			
Males	3 18 6		
Females	2 14 2		
*Waterproof Garments—			
Males:			
Dippers and Proofers ...	4 10 6		
Cutters	4 10 6		
Females:			
Makers	2 13 9		
Machinists	2 3 11 to 2 5 5		
Others	2 2 5		
Rope and Cordage—			
Rope Maker	4 8 6		
Assistant	3 18 6		
Other	3 13 6		
Female	1 19 8		
Bag, Sack, and Textile Workers—			
Floor Hands (Females) ...	1 19 8		
Machinists and Hand Cutters (Females)	2 1 8		
Factory Hands (Male) ...	4 3 6		
BOOKS, PAPER, AND PRINTING.			
Cardboard Box and Carton-making—			
GUILLOTINE, CARTON CLOTH, OR PAPER CUTTERS			
Carton Setters	4 19 6	SCIENTIFIC APPLIANCES.	
Rotary Cutters or Scorers	4 18 0	Optical Instruments—	Per week.
Storemen or Packers ...	4 4 0	Optical Mechanic ...	4 16 0
Females	2 7 6		
PRINTING (Newspapers)—			
Linotype Operators:			
Night	7 7 1	WATCHES, JEWELLERY, ETC.	
Day	6 14 4	Jewellers and Allied Trades—	
Linotype Mechanics—		Watchmakers and Clockmakers	4 18 6
Night	6 5 0	Jewellers	4 17 6
Day	5 12 3	Enamellers and Metal Badge Makers	4 13 6
Flat-bed Machinists		Females	2 12 1
Night	6 9 3		
Day	5 16 6		
General Hands—			
Night	5 12 3	LIGHT, HEAT AND POWER.	
Day	4 19 6	Electric Light Works—	Per day.
		Turbine Driver	0 15 10
		Auxiliary Plant Attendant	0 15 2
		Leading Fireman	0 15 5
		Fireman, Greaser	0 14 7
		Boiler Cleaner	0 14 3
		Engine or Plant Cleaner	0 13 10
		Gas Works—	Per week.
		Retort Operator	4 10 3
			to
			4 19 5

No. 41.—Minimum Rates of Wages established under Awards of Courts of Arbitration and Industrial Agreements in certain Trades and Occupations as at 31st December, 1931—contd.

Occupation.	Wages.	Occupation.	Wages.
LIGHT, HEAT, AND POWER—contd.		MISCELLANEOUS—contd.	
Gas Works—continued		*Carters and Drivers—	
Gas Meter Repairer	£ 8 s. d. 4 17 6	Horse Driver (1 horse)	£ s. d. 4 3 0
Stove Fitter and Repairer	4 9 6	Horse Driver (2 to 5 horses)	4 8 0 to 4 11 0
Mainlayer or Caulker	4 5 6	Horse Driver (over 5 horses) 6d. per day extra per horse	
Men engaged on Coal, Coke, or Tar	3 16 6	Stableman	4 2 0
Men emptying or filling purifier	3 19 6	Motor Wagon Driver:	
Men filling casks, etc. with tar	3 19 6	25 cwt. or less	4 8 0
Stove Assemblers	4 2 6	26 cwt. to 3 tons	4 12 0
Labourers	3 13 6	Over 3 tons	4 16 0
RUBBER GOODS AND LEATHERWARE.		Loaders, Yardmen, Horse and Motor Drivers' Assistants	4 1 0
Rubber Factories—		Passenger-Carrying—	
Adult Male Workers	4 2 6	Taxi-car Drivers	4 5 0
MISCELLANEOUS.		Char-a-banc Drivers	4 8 6
Agricultural and Pastoral Pursuits—		All Others	3 13 6
Shearers (not found):	Per 100.	Cemetery Employees—	
Flock Sheep	1 11 6	Grave Digger	4 8 6
Rams over 6 months	3 3 0	Gardener's Labourer	4 5 6
Stud Ewes (not special)	1 19 5	Labourer	3 19 6
Special Studs (as per agreement) ...	...	*Cleaning, etc.—	
From the earnings of these rates a deduction must be made at the rate of 7s. 6d. per week—Cost of Living Adjustment.	Per week.	Cleaner (Male)	3 16 6
Shed Hands (not found)	5 1 6	Caretaker (Male)	4 18 0
Shearing Cooks (found)	4 0 1	Cleaner (Female)	1 19 7
Station Hands (not found)	3 0 5	Lift Attendant	3 13 6
Attendance and Service—		Window Cleaner (Male)	4 3 6
Barbers, Barmaids (without Board and Lodging)	4 14 6	*Clerical—	
Hotels and Coffee Palaces (with Board and Lodging)—		Wholesale Houses :	
Cooks (Male)	2 17 4½ to 4 0 4½	Clerk (Male)	3 17 6 to
Cooks (Female)	2 2 11 to	Clerk (Senior)	4 8 6
Waiter	3 3 11	Clerk (Female)	4 18 6
Night Porter	2 16 4½	Retail Houses—	
Hall Porter	2 17 4½	Clerk (Male)	2 13 3
Waitress and other female Workers ...	2 12 4½	Clerk (Female)	4 3 6
Restaurants (with Board and Lodging)—		Diving (Marine) and Tending—	Per day.
Cooks (Male)	1 14 2	Divers (when diving)	1 10 0
Cooks (Female)	2 17 7½ to 4 2 7½	Divers (when not diving)	Per week.
Waiter	1 16 11	Tenders (when tending)	4 5 10
Other Male Workers	2 17 11	Tenders (when not tending)	Per day.
Waitress	2 16 7½		0 17 10
Other Female Workers	2 12 4½		Per week.
Counter Hand	1 11 5		3 16 3
Clubs (without Board and Lodging)—		Dock, River, and Harbour Works—	
Cooks (Male)	1 9 5	Pile Driving:	
Cooks (Female)	1 15 11	Man in Charge	4 4 0
Barman	3 19 6	Others	3 16 3
Waiter	5 2 6	Case Driving—	
Kitchenman, Pantryman, and Steward ...	3 6 8	Leading Hand	3 19 2
Waitress and other female Workers ...	4 7 8	Assistants	3 16 3
Butchering and Slaughtering—		Drilling and Blasting Plant:	
Shop Section :	4 6 6	Leading Hand	4 8 10
Order Cart Hand	3 18 6	Others	3 13 10
General Butcher	4 13 6	Quarry Workers	
Cutting Cart Hand	4 13 6	to	3 18 7
Smallgoodsman	4 13 6	Ganger	4 1 7
First Shopman	4 18 6	Survey Hands	3 13 10
Beef Carters' Section :	4 18 6	Concrete Pile-driving Plants:	
Beef Carters—Horse and Cart ...	4 3 6	Man in Charge	4 8 10
Motors (30 cwt.) ...	4 8 6	Topman	4 1 7
Motors (over 30 cwt.) ...	4 13 6	Machine Man	3 19 2
Abattoirs Section :	3 18 6	Concrete Pile Construction:	
Labourer	4 3 6	Fitter's Assistant	3 18 7
Slaughterman's Labourer	4 3 6	Men employed hand-ramming hot bitumastic macadam	4 4 10
Beef Lumpen and Tallowman ...	4 3 6	Miscellaneous:	
Slaughterman	5 1 6	Various classes of employees ...	3 13 10
Building Contractors—	Per hour.		to
Plasterer	0 2 5½	Dredge Employees:	
*Bricklayer	0 2 6½	Laddeorman	4 4 10
*Labourer	0 1 11½	Quartermaster, Deckhands ...	3 18 7
	to	Winchman (Leading) ...	4 2 5
	0 2 2	Winchman (Other) ...	4 0 0
		Greaser ...	4 4 10
		Fireman ...	4 0 0

No. 41.—Minimum Rates of Wages established under Awards of Courts of Arbitration and Industrial Agreements in certain Trades and Occupations as at 31st December, 1931—contd.

Occupation.	Wages.	Occupation.	Wages.
MISCELLANEOUS—contd.			
Engine-driving—		MISCELLANEOUS—contd. ²	
Government (excluding Railways):		Mining (Gold) contd.—	
Loco. Driver (Harbour Works) ...	Per week. £ s. d. 4 8 10	Engine-driving, etc.:	Per shift. £ s. d. 0 16 8
Pile Driver ...	4 6 5 to	Winding Engine-driver ...	to
Stationary Steam (2nd Class Certificate) ...	4 11 2	Winch-driver ...	0 17 8
Stationary Steam (3rd Class Certificate) ...	4 6 5	Loco Engine-driver ...	0 15 8
Producer Gas Engine ...	3 19 2	Stationary Steam Engine-drivers	to
SteamCrane Drivers:	4 4 0	Fireman—Leading ...	0 16 2
25 tons and over ...	4 4 0	Fireman—Steam ...	0 15 0
Under 25 tons ...	3 19 2	Greasers, Cleaners ...	0 14 0
Main Roads Board:		Trimmer ...	0 13 6
Steam Roller Drivers ...	4 17 7	Boiler Cleaners ...	0 15 6
Internal Combustion Rollers		*Municipal Employees (Perth)—	
10 tons and over ...	4 17 7	Sanitary Employees:	Per week.
Under 10 tons ...	4 13 7	Rubbish Tipmen ...	3 19 6
Motor Graders ...	4 13 7	Rubbish and Dust Carters ...	4 2 6
Fire Brigade Employees—		Sanitary pan Removers, Washers, Stage Hands, Trenchmen and Offal Carters ...	4 11 6
Senior Fireman in Charge ...	4 13 7 to	Attendants, latrine ...	3 16 6
Senior Firemen ...	5 1 7 4 9 7 to	Motor Lorry Drivers ...	5 4 6
1st Class Firemen ...	4 17 7 4 5 7 to	Horse-drivers ...	4 1 6
2nd Class Firemen ...	4 13 7	Stablemen ...	4 7 6
3rd Class Firemen ...	4 1 7	Motor Lorry Drivers ...	4 5 6
*Hairdressing—		Sweepers (Adults) ...	4 9 6
Hairdresser (Male) ...	4 13 6	Sweepers (Boys) ...	3 3 6
Hairdresser (Female) ...	3 1 3	Drainage Worker ...	3 15 6
Hospital Employees (Coastal)—		*Painters and Decorators—	Per hour.
Head Orderly ...	4 9 8	Glaziers ...	0 2 3½
Other Orderlies ...	3 13 6	Signwriters ...	0 2 5½
Laundry Staff—		Painters ...	0 2 5½
Washhouse-man ...	3 18 8	Photographic Employees—	Per week.
Washhouse-woman ...	3 2 10	Male (Adult) ...	4 5 0
Ironers ...	2 16 10	Female (Adult) ...	2 10 0
Others (Adults) ...	2 11 4	*Quarrymen—	
Kitchen Staff (with Board and Lodging):		Jumpermen ...	4 2 3
Cooks ...	2 2 10 to	Crusher Feeders ...	4 8 0
Kitchenmaid, Scullerymaid ...	3 1 10 1 8 5	Hammer and Drillmen ...	4 2 3
General Staff (Female) ...	1 8 5	Powder Monkeys ...	4 10 6
Kitchenman ...	2 17 7	Spallers ...	4 5 0
*Laundry Employees—		Railways, Government —	Per day.
Washhouse-man ...	0 13 7½	Engine-drivers ...	0 16 2
Washhouse-woman ...	0 10 8½	Firemen ...	1 1 1
Ironers, etc. ...	0 9 8½	Guard ...	0 14 3
Mining (Coal)—		Porter ...	0 16 2
Miners ...	0 16 1 to	Shunter ...	0 14 10
Pumpman ...	0 17 11	Signalman ...	0 13 5
Shiftman, 1st Class ...	0 16 6	Cleaner (Adult) ...	0 15 2
Shiftman, 2nd Class ...	0 15 6	*Shop Assistants—	0 13 10
Wheeler (Hand) ...	0 15 5	Hardware, Furniture and Carpet Departments or Shops: Male ...	4 6 0
Wheeler (Horse) ...	0 14 5	Female ...	2 12 11
Filler ...	0 14 6	Grocery Departments or Shops—	
Tippers, Gantry and Screenman ...	...	Male ...	4 6 0
Winchman, Underground Worker ...	0 14 5	Female ...	3 2 11
Surface Labourer ...	0 13 2	Manchester, Dress and Silk Departments or Shops:	
Mining (Gold)—		Male ...	4 6 0
General:		Female ...	2 16 5
Rock Drill Men ...	0 15 2 to		
Hand Miners ...	0 16 4 to		
Shaft Timber Men ...	0 15 6		
Mullockers, Truckers, Shovellers ...	0 16 4		
General Labourers (Surface) ...	0 13 6		
Others ...	0 13 0		
Engineering:			
Driller, Screwer, Motor Attendant ...	0 15 6		
Electrical Wireman, Lineman ...	4 10 0		
Pipe-fitter ...	4 16 0		
Coppersmith, Blacksmith, Turner, Fitter, etc.	4 13 0		
Pattern-maker ...	5 2 0		
	5 11 0		

No. 41.—Minimum Rates of Wages established under Awards of Courts of Arbitration and Industrial Agreements in certain Trades and Occupations as at 31st December, 1931.

Occupation.	Wages.	Occupation.	Wages.
MISCELLANEOUS— <i>contd.</i>		MISCELLANEOUS— <i>contd.</i>	
Shop Assistants— <i>contd.</i>		Tramways— <i>contd.</i>	
All other Departments and Shops:	Per week. £ s. d.	Meter Reader ...	Per week. £ s. d.
Male ...	4 6 0	Chainman ...	4 4 0
Female ...	2 7 11		4 0 0
Storemen, Despatch Hands and Packers	4 6 0		
Canvasser ...	4 10 6	Waterside Workers—	Per hour.
Cleaners and door Porters ...	4 1 0	Lumper (General Cargo) ...	0 2 2
Lift Attendants ...	4 16 0	Lumper (Wheat) ...	0 2 5
Tramways—		* Wine and Spirit Warehouse Employees—	Per week.
Conductors, Motormen and Pitmen ...	3 19 2	Cellarman—Head ...	4 15 0
Car Starter ...	4 5 7	Storeman ...	4 5 6
Platelayer ...	3 18 7	Others ...	4 3 6
Fettler and Track Repairer ...	3 16 3		
Storeman ...	4 4 0	Wool Stores—	
Motor Car and Lorry Drivers:		Head Classer ...	5 5 6
Not exceeding 25 cwt. ...	4 0 0	Assistant Classer ...	4 17 6
Exceeding 25 cwt. up to 5 tons ...	4 2 0	Assistant Storeman ...	{ 4 10 6 to 4 13 6
Ganger ...	{ 4 9 7 to 4 19 2	Skin Sorter ...	4 5 6
		Others ...	4 1 6

XV.—METEOROLOGICAL STATISTICS.

(Supplied by Commonwealth Meteorologist.)

No. 42.—Notes on the Rainfall of Western Australia during the months of October, November, December and year, 1931.

October.—The bulk of the month's rainfall occurred in connection with two storms in the early half of the month. Both were productive of substantial falls throughout practically the whole of the wheat belt, the only serious weakness affecting parts of the Yilgarn country. Although the falls did not suffice, in most districts, to bring totals up to the monthly average, they resulted in great benefit to the crops, which had come to a standstill owing to the very light character of the rains of late September. The second of the two storms commenced on the North-West coast on the 12th, and resulted in an almost unprecedented rainfall in that part of the State, good falls extending inland as far as Three Rivers. Amongst previous years 1916 alone saw a general rain in the North-West during October, although the following year also brought good October gaugings to some of the inland localities. Practically every station in the State from Broome southward received some rain from this disturbance, and, in addition to the North-West and wheat areas, the South Coolgardie Goldfields received considerable benefit.

November.—The month fell into two definite periods, the earlier half of the month being marked by widespread monsoonal rains, while the latter portion was exceptionally dry. The most important falls occurred between the 2nd and 6th, and included some unusually heavy 24-hour registrations, prominent amongst which were 339 points at Hamelin Pool and 256 at Morawa, with many others of 1½ to 2 inches. The Coolgardie Goldfields, Northern Midlands, and parts of the North-West benefited chiefly from this storm, which, here and there, was accompanied by hail, but no extensive damage occurred. On the 12th another storm occurred, affecting chiefly the lower Great Southern districts. Pastures and late crops benefited generally, but the rain was too late for the early varieties in most districts.

Thunderstorms affected the East Kimberleys at intervals during the month, but Wyndham, with 398 points, was the only station in that region to record substantial falls.

The advance in temperatures became pronounced towards the end of the month, 100 deg. being reached on several occasions in the West Gascoyne, and at Kellerberrin on the 24th. In Perth the highest reading was 94.6 deg. on the 29th, and, although this was not exceptional for November, the general level of the day temperatures was high, averaging 79 deg., compared with a normal for November of all years of 75.4 deg.

December.—The month, in many respects, was a remarkable one. During the opening weeks the weather chart was dominated by high-pressure systems, centred over the Bight, and with a pronounced slope towards the North-West corner of the State. This was a typically "heat wave" disposition of the lines of pressure, and was reflected in high temperatures, both day and night, but little rain. This state of affairs lasted, with a slight break, until the middle of the month, when a reversion to Winter-type control gave a week's cool weather with light agricultural showers. Monsoonal conditions were gathering again in the Tropics, resulting in scattered thunderstorms, and gradually became State-wide. A complete absence of effective high pressures was a feature of this phase, which lasted until the last day of the month, and

the result was a prolonged, humid heat, with but one weak change of a single day, and extensive thunderstorms, chiefly affecting agricultural districts. The month closed with a much more effective cool change, but the accompanying showers did not pass inland in time to figure in the month's registrations.

The two hot spells, despite the cool intervening week, resulted in mean temperatures greatly in excess of normal, especially over Coastal and agricultural areas. At Geraldton the excess in mean maximum amounted to 8 deg., at Kellerberrin to 5 deg., at Carnarvon, Bunbury and York to 4 deg., while mean minima showed even greater departures. The only exceptionally high individual maxima were 117 deg. at Marble Bar on the 30th and 115 deg. at Onslow on the 12th, both of which closely approached the record for December. South of the Tropic a number of stations reached 108 deg., including Carnarvon and Geraldton on the Coast. Most exceptional, for the month of December, however, was the long sequence of hot days, and, even more so, of hot nights early in the month. Perth, with 9 days successively over 90 deg., and 6 successive nights over 70 deg., far exceeded all previous December records, while the mean maximum of 89.1 deg. was 8.1 deg. above normal, and the mean minimum of 66.6 deg. 5.9 deg. above normal.

The outstanding feature of the rainfall was the failure of the seasonal rains to materialise in the Kimberleys, where the position was becoming serious. In the North-West, Gascoyne and Goldfields, scattered thunderstorms occurred, but only here and there were monthly averages equalled. In the South-West and agricultural country the mid-month showers and general thunderstorms in the closing week were responsible for fairly general excesses. The best rains occurred in the extreme South, where the falls at the middle of the month were heavy.

Year.—The outstanding feature of the twelve months was the exceptional activity of tropical rain-bearing systems over the whole stretch of ocean between our tropical coasts and Cocos Island, and frequent off-shoots from this centre largely determined the characteristics of the year's rainfall, especially over the pastoral regions. The most important storms showed a marked tendency to traverse the interior of the State, with the result that a remarkably good season was experienced on the Northern and Eastern Goldfields and in the far South-East of the State, as well as over the greater part of the North-West and also on the coastal regions of the Kimberleys, where very heavy rains persisted as late as May. The inland Kimberley areas did not fare so well, the later rains especially failing to penetrate, while dry, hot weather largely withered the pastures brought up by earlier falls. The Summer falls were weak in the Fortescue, Ashburton and Gascoyne, but the position was greatly relieved by good Winter rains. The 1930 agricultural season, it will be remembered, closed satisfactorily, but the ensuing Summer was excessively trying owing to almost complete lack of intervening rains. The water supply position was most acute, and the ground remained too hard for cultivation to an unusually late date. The season, however, received an excellent start from the good May rains, but crops suffered a severe set-back owing to the extreme cold and shortage of rain during June—in fact the cold weather started in May and resulted in the longest spell of deficient temperature ever experienced, not only in wheat areas, but through the fruit-growing and dairying districts as well. Crops responded readily, however, to the good, soaking falls of the next three months. The Spring rains were rather weak in parts, but the deficiencies were largely made good by a monsoonal rain early in November, and the season closed with an assurance of a good harvest, although below the previous year's yield.

The various regions of the State are dealt with in detail below.

Kimberley and North-West.—Following upon the good rains of December, 1930, another violent storm circled the Kimberley coasts in the latter half of January, bringing some phenomenal falls, but its influence did not extend far inland. Two months then elapsed, broken only by local thunderstorms, before the next important rain in the Tropics. This was also of a Willy Willy type, and affected chiefly the DeGrey country. Good rains in the third week of April and the first week of May further improved the North-West season. The latter reached the Onslow district, which, hitherto, had fared badly. The third week of May saw a phenomenal rainfall—for the time of the year—in the West Kimberleys. A series of useful rains visited the North-West in June, and the Fortescue districts received some further rains in July and August. September was a dry month, but in October a storm on the 12th resulted in an almost unprecedented rain in the North-West, 1916 being the only previous occasion when such a general rain occurred in that portion of the State in October. This was followed up in November and December, but the falls were more patchy. In the Kimberleys, excluding good rains in mid-November, which extended from the Northern Territory into the Wyndham region, the year closed with the seasonal rainfall much below normal.

Gascoyne and Goldfields.—The Coolgardie Goldfields received excellent monsoonal rains in January, which followed up the good falls of December, 1930, and the end of March witnessed another remarkable monsoonal rainstorm, which affected all inland areas, with notably heavy falls on the Northern Goldfields. Good falls also marked late April and early May. In June a succession of three Winter rains was also confined to the Goldfields, but the Gascoyne participated in July and August, which were both very satisfactory months, and lighter showers in September and October helped to swell the totals for the year. Early November brought

another valuable fall to the Coolgardie Goldfields with patchy rains over the inland parts of the Gascoyne and the Murchison Goldfield. The year closed upon one of the best seasons ever experienced on the Coolgardie and Northern Goldfields. On the other hand, although throughout the greater parts of the Gascoyne, including the Murchison country, the falls were satisfactory, some portions, especially on the Southern Murchison, proved exceptions, and a decidedly poor season had been passed through.

South-Western and Agricultural Districts.—The year's rainfall opened with two early Winter-type rains in March, which, however, were heavy only in Southern parts, and were not followed up. April saw some light rain and heavy thunderstorms here and there, but it was not until early May that a general downpour sufficient to thoroughly soak the soil and to replenish water supplies (which had been well-nigh exhausted) occurred. This was followed up well until the middle of the month, when another dry spell intervened until the 8th June. The rains of that month were much below normal, while severe frost and unusually low day temperatures checked all growth, and this was reflected in the condition of stock which had passed through a particularly trying period from mid-May. Succeeding months showed great improvement, both in the matter of temperatures and rainfall, and crops and pastures quickly responded. In July there was some lack of penetrative power in the rain-storms, which were not heavy enough in the outlying areas, but this was remedied in August and September. Severe gales were experienced during this period and early in the latter month the Avon, Swan and Preston rivers flooded, and water supplies throughout the wheat belt were filled. October saw a slackening off of the Winter-type rainfall, and by the end of the month the later sown crops were in need of a good downpour, which was, to a large extent, supplied by monsoonal rains on the 2nd, 3rd and 12th of November. Over such a large area as the wheat belt, some districts were bound to be missed, and this was reflected in a decreased wheat yield from outer North-East, Eastern and South-Eastern districts. Apart from light showers in mid-December, good, dry harvesting weather lasted up to the Christmas holidays, when monsoonal conditions with heat and widespread thunderstorms developed. Here and there the falls were heavy, and in the South Dwyalbin and Mt. Hampton districts hail destroyed 6,000 acres of crop, but in general these rains afforded no run-off, and the year closed with the water supply outlook again becoming acute.

No. 43.—Abstract of Meteorological Observations.

(a) At Perth (Latitude, 31° 57' S. Altitude above mean sea-level, 197 feet. Longitude, 115° 51' E.).

1931.	Barometer *			Shade Temperature.								Evaporation		Rainfall.			
	Mean, 9 a.m. and 8 p.m.			Mean Maximum.	Mean Minimum.	Highest previous record since 1897.		Lowest previous record since 1897.		Inches.	Aver., 32 yrs., Inches.	Total.	Days.	Inches.	Average for 55 years.		
		Highest.	Lowest.			Maximum on any one day.	Minimum on any one day.	Max.	Date.								
Jan. ...	29.97	30.18	29.68	86	63	104	51	108	1921	50	1921	11.41	10.43	0.03	2	0.34	3
Feb. ...	30.01	.21	.77	82	60	102	52	107	1915	48	1902	8.61	8.56	0.04	1	.43	3
Mar. ...	29.99	.29	.72	84	62	99	53	106	1914	46	1903	8.59	7.61	0.90	4	.77	5
Apl. ...	30.04	.39	.66	74	51	89	42	100	1910	39	1914	4.40	4.75	3.96	10	1.64	7
May ...	.11	.72	.39	66	50	76	40	90	1907	34	1914	2.56	2.75	6.29	13	5.04	14
June ...	.12	.44	.56	61	45	71	37	82	1914	35	1920	1.81	1.77	6.54	12	7.04	17
July ...	.04	.45	.62	62	50	69	39	76	1921	34	1916	1.65	1.75	7.90	21	6.70	17
Aug. ...	.05	.52	.48	64	48	71	38	81	1914	36	1908	2.10	2.36	6.84	19	5.71	18
Sept. ...	.04	.33	.50	64	50	70	41	91	1918	39	1900	3.30	3.36	5.27	21	3.46	15
Oct. ...	.12	.48	.60	73	54	92	40	95	1922	40	1924	6.26	5.26	1.01	9	2.19	12
Nov. ...	.04	.31	.75	79	57	95	46	105	1913	42	1904	8.86	7.62	0.03	2	0.80	6
Dec. ...	29.91	.16	.71	89	67	101	56	108	1904	48	1912	11.06	9.81	0.37	4	0.58	4
Mean ...	30.04	...	...	74	55	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Extreme ...	30.72	29.39	...	...	104	38	108	1921	34	1916	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Total ...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	70.61	66.03	39.18	118	34.70	121	

* In addition to other corrections further correction for standard gravity has been applied.

(b) Mean Annual Rainfall in Meteorological Land Divisions in Western Australia during 1930,
with averages to end of 1929.

Land Divisions,	Rainfall during 1930.		Average, previous years.		Period of Observations of Normal.	
	Range.	Mean.	Range of Means.	Average.	Range.	Average.
North Kimberley ...	inches. 24.72 to 35.34	inches. 29.70	inches. 26.99 to 36.44	inches. 31.84	years. 16 to 43	years. 27
East Kimberley ...	14.79 .. 27.38	21.98	17.73 .. 31.42	23.74	15 .. 39	30
West Kimberley ...	11.28 .. 55.51	29.69	14.01 .. 34.65	24.62	16 .. 44	29
De Grey ...	8.89 .. 26.77	14.27	10.46 .. 15.40	12.58	24 .. 43	33
Fortescue ...	4.46 .. 23.05	12.01	8.37 .. 15.38	11.02	18 .. 44	31
West Gascoyne ...	5.11 .. 13.47	8.33	8.06 .. 13.53	9.63	22 .. 47	34
East Gascoyne ...	5.39 .. 10.83	7.42	8.12 .. 11.72	9.49	18 .. 41	29
South-West—						
North Coastal	8.57 .. 20.51	15.47	11.20 .. 20.31	15.96	12 .. 52	26
Central Coastal	18.68 .. 58.45	36.46	21.53 .. 57.10	34.66	17 .. 54	37
South Coastal	15.12 .. 53.90	37.44	21.41 .. 60.82	38.80	16 .. 53	31
Central North	8.88 .. 20.48	13.65	9.10 .. 21.34	13.67	16 .. 50	25
Central South	12.06 .. 30.19	17.68	12.19 .. 29.02	17.52	14 .. 53	28
North-East ...	3.53 .. 15.64	10.72	7.70 .. 9.54	8.48	17 .. 31	21
South-East ...	8.04 .. 17.58	11.58	8.24 .. 11.06	9.61	21 .. 40	30
Eucla ...	7.67 .. 16.59	10.76	5.71 .. 11.12	8.72	12 .. 51	26

XVI.—PARLIAMENTARY ROLLS.

No. 44.—Legislative Assembly, Number on Rolls, 30th June, 1931, and General Election,
12th April, 1930.

District.	Net Enrolment.			District.	Net Enrolment.		
	Males.	Females.	Total.		Males.	Females.	Total.
Albany ...	1,936	1,814	3,750	Mount Marshall ...	2,942	1,623	4,565
Avon ...	2,466	1,636	4,102	Murchison ...	1,277	452	1,729
Beverley ...	2,684	1,728	4,412	Murray-Wellington ...	2,059	1,164	3,673
Boulder ...	1,457	1,348	2,805	Neeldands ...	3,942	3,858	7,800
Brown-Hill Ivanhoe	1,292	945	2,237	Nelson ...	3,379	2,143	5,522
Bunbury ...	2,187	2,133	4,320	Northam ...	2,244	1,949	4,193
Canning ...	3,567	4,027	7,594	Perth ...	2,603	2,957	5,560
Claremont ...	2,883	3,568	6,451	Perth, East ...	3,031	3,390	6,421
Collie ...	2,207	1,855	4,062	Perth, North ...	2,570	3,289	5,859
Forrest ...	2,442	1,693	4,135	Perth, West ...	2,761	3,481	6,242
Fremantle ...	3,634	3,446	7,080	Pilbara ...	375	85	460
Fremantle, North-East	2,918	3,289	6,207	Pingelly ...	2,364	1,536	3,900
Fremantle, South ...	3,202	3,348	6,550	Roebourne ...	323	131	454
Gascoyne ...	996	355	1,351	Subiaco ...	3,213	4,014	7,227
Geraldton ...	2,266	1,775	4,041	Sussex ...	2,330	1,875	4,205
Greenough ...	3,795	2,091	5,886	Swan ...	2,235	2,143	4,378
Guildford-Midland ...	2,795	2,873	5,668	Toodyay ...	1,760	1,446	3,206
Hannans ...	867	843	1,710	Victoria Park ...	3,357	3,721	7,078
Irwin-Moore ...	2,120	1,314	3,434	Wagin ...	2,735	1,849	4,584
Kalgoorlie ...	1,785	1,465	3,250	Williams-Narrogin ...	1,800	1,408	3,208
Kanowna ...	1,484	524	2,008	Yilgarn-Coolgardie ...	1,855	885	2,740
Katanning ...	2,648	2,171	4,819	York ...	1,826	1,330	3,156
Kimberley ...	703	200	903	Total ...	117,635	104,464	222,099
Leederville ...	4,102	4,746	8,848				
Maylands ...	3,225	3,680	6,905				
Middle Swan ...	3,193	3,213	6,406				
Mount Hawthorn ...	2,456	2,625	5,081				
Mt. Magnet—							
Sub-District Mt.							
Leonora ...	689	310	999	Names on Roll ...	122,576	107,500	230,076
Sub-District Mt.				In contested Districts ...	99,687	87,045	186,732
Magnet ...	655	270	925	Votes recorded ...	75,206	63,807	*139,013

* Including 1,579 informal votes.

ELECTION—12-4-1930.

No. 45.—Legislative Council, Net Enrolment, 30th June, 1931, and Biennial Elections,
10th May, 1930.

Province.	Males.	Females.	Total.	Province.	Males.	Females.	Total.
Central ...	4,412	910	5,322	South-West ...	5,238	1,339	6,577
East ...	8,332	1,977	10,309	West ...	5,586	2,295	7,881
Metropolitan ...	4,103	2,143	6,246	Total ...	52,602	18,222	70,824
Metropolitan-Suburban	13,672	6,544	20,216				
North ...	720	117	837				
North-East ...	1,947	867	2,814				
South ...	2,957	698	3,655				
South-East ...	5,635	1,332	6,967				

* Including 288 informal votes.

XVII.—PROHIBITION POLL, 4th April, 1925.

No. 46.—Results for the whole State of the Prohibition Poll taken under the provisions of
“The Licensing Act, 1911.”

Electors in State	Males.	Females.	Total	Valid Votes.	For Prohibition.	Against Prohibition.	Total.
Enrolled 4th April, 1925	106,535	93,677	200,212	Recorded ...	41,362	77,113	118,475
Votes recorded ...	66,359	52,774	119,133*				

* Including 653 informal votes.

XVIII.—CENSUS OF 4th APRIL, 1921.

No. 47.—Population and Dwellings in Perth and Suburbs.

Local Government Area.*	Population.			Dwellings.			Total.
	Males.	Females.	Persons.	Occupied.	Un-occupied.	Being Built.	
Bayswater	... RD (Part)	1,134	1,171	2,305	574	28	3 605
Belmont Park	... RD	1,017	849	1,866	434	22	456
Claremont	... M	2,530	2,981	5,511	1,128	12	...
Claremont	... RD	2,062	1,495	3,557	676	42	1,142
Cottesloe	... M	2,220	2,813	5,033	1,027	45	728
Cottesloe Beach	RD	1,546	1,675	3,221	702	20	1,080
Fremantle	... M	8,858	8,708	17,566	3,358	74	725
Fremantle, East	... M	2,145	2,273	4,423	935	21	8,437
Fremantle, North	... M	1,747	1,798	3,545	708	25	971
Guildford	... M	943	933	1,876	385	18	733
Guildford, West †	RD (Part)	1,295	1,375	2,670	605	37	404
Melville	... RD (Part)	1,144	1,178	2,322	491	45	648
Midland Junction	... M	2,483	2,454	4,037	1,068	28	539
Peppermint Grove	RD	433	677	1,110	209	5	1,098
Perth	... M	30,696	33,470	64,166	12,521	295	89 12,905
Perth	... RD (Part)	5,939	5,915	11,854	2,417	98	8 2,523
Perth, South	... M	1,370	1,590	2,960	667	63	5 735
Queen's Park	... RD	1,083	923	2,006	441	16	1 458
Subiaco	... M	6,292	7,355	13,647	3,028	75	38 3,141
Swan	... RD (Part)	151	147	298	64	1	... 65
Total	...	75,088	79,785	154,873	31,438	970	199 32,607

* M—Municipality; RD—Road District. † Now Bassendean.

NOTE.—For population of Municipalities and Road Board Districts throughout the State, see No. 282 issue for December Quarter of 1923.

No. 48.—Summary of Results relating to Population and Dwellings.

Particulars.	4th April, 1921.				3rd April, 1911.	* Increase during ten years, 1911-1921.
	Urban.		Rural.	Whole State.	Whole State.	
	Metropolitan.	Provincial.				
Area in square miles	136.82	53.08	975,730	975,920	975,920	...
Population—						
Males	75,088	21,291	76,698	a177,278	a161,565	15,713
Females	79,785	21,280	53,400	a155,454	a120,549	34,905
Persons	154,873	42,571	130,098	a332,732	a282,114	50,618
Per square mile	1,131.95	802.02	0.13	0.34	0.29	0.05
Dwellings—						
Occupied	31,441	9,215	32,894	73,550	68,775	4,775
Unoccupied	970	520	1,784	3,274	b 3,158	b 116
Being built	199	32	58	289	b 74	b 215
Total	82,610	9,767	34,736	77,113	72,007	5,106
Per square mile	238.34	184.01	0.04	0.08	0.07	0.01
Occupied Dwellings—						
Private Houses, Tenements, and Flats	29,741	8,681	31,763	† 70,185	† 66,553	3,632
Other than private	1,700	584	1,181	3,365	2,222	1,143
Total Occupied Dwellings	31,441	9,215	32,894	73,550	68,775	4,775
Per square mile	229.80	173.61	0.03	0.08	0.07	0.01
Occupied Private Dwellings—						
Average weekly Rental Value of all Private Dwellings ...	18s. 9d.	13s. 1d.	9s. 6d.	18s. 10d.	10s. 7d.	2s. 3d.
Average Weekly Rental Value of Private Dwellings occupied by tenants	17s. 9d.	13s. 0d.	8s. 6d.	14s. 2d.	c 10s. 10d.	3s. 4d.
Rooms per occupied Private Dwelling	4.67	4.51	3.71	4.22	3.67	0.55
Inmates per occupied Private Dwelling	4.43	4.24	3.77	4.11	3.68	0.43
Inmates per room in occupied Private Dwelling	0.95	0.94	1.02	0.97	1.00	— 0.03

* Minus sign (—) indicates a decrease.

a Includes Migratory Population (persons on board ships, trains, etc.), which is not included in any subdivision of the State. b Incomplete owing to defective collection in certain cases c Estimated on the basis of all private dwellings. † The numbers of occupied private dwellings in 1921 in the Urban and Rural portions of the State respectively, grouped according to the material of the outer walls, were: Stone or brick, 20,467 and 4,076; Wood, 14,769 and 14,123; Iron, 2,724 and 6,177; Calico, Canvas, Hessian, etc., 147 and 4,927; Sun-dried bricks, 67 and 1,611; all other, 248 and 344. For 1911 throughout the whole State the totals grouped under the same materials were: 18,917; 20,611; 10,109; 14,216; 1,530; 1,170. In 1921 dwellings occupied by owners numbered in the Urban and Rural districts respectively 14,100 and 18,000; by Purchasers by instalments, 6,809 and 1,889; by tenants, 16,252 and 7,654.

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